1.2	Delete everything after the enacting clause and insert:
1.3	"ARTICLE 1
1.4	CONSUMER PROTECTION
1.5	Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2023 Supplement, section 53B.28, subdivision 18, is amended
1.6	to read:
1.7	Subd. 18. Money transmission. (a) "Money transmission" means:
1.8	(1) selling or issuing payment instruments to a person located in this state;
1.9	(2) selling or issuing stored value to a person located in this state; or
1.10	(3) receiving money for transmission from a person located in this state.
1.11	(b) Money <u>transmission</u> includes payroll processing services. Money <u>transmission</u> does
1.12	not include the provision solely of online or telecommunications services or network access.
1.13	Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2023 Supplement, section 80A.50, is amended to read:
1.14	80A.50 SECTION 302; FEDERAL COVERED SECURITIES; SMALL
1.15	CORPORATE OFFERING REGISTRATION.
1.16	(a) Federal covered securities.
1.17	(1) <b>Required filing of records.</b> With respect to a federal covered security, as defined
1.18	in Section 18(b)(2) of the Securities Act of 1933 (15 U.S.C. Section 77r(b)(2)), that is not
1.19	otherwise exempt under sections 80A.45 through 80A.47, a rule adopted or order issued
1.20	under this chapter may require the filing of any or all of the following records:
1.21	(A) before the initial offer of a federal covered security in this state, all records that are
1.22	part of a federal registration statement filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission

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under the Securities Act of 1933 and a consent to service of process complying with section 80A.88 signed by the issuer;

- (B) after the initial offer of the federal covered security in this state, all records that are part of an amendment to a federal registration statement filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission under the Securities Act of 1933; and
- (C) to the extent necessary or appropriate to compute fees, a report of the value of the federal covered securities sold or offered to persons present in this state, if the sales data are not included in records filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission.
- (2) **Notice filing effectiveness and renewal.** A notice filing under subsection (a) is effective for one year commencing on the later of the notice filing or the effectiveness of the offering filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission. On or before expiration, the issuer may renew a notice filing by filing a copy of those records filed by the issuer with the Securities and Exchange Commission that are required by rule or order under this chapter to be filed. A previously filed consent to service of process complying with section 80A.88 may be incorporated by reference in a renewal. A renewed notice filing becomes effective upon the expiration of the filing being renewed.
- (3) Notice filings for federal covered securities under section 18(b)(4)(D). With respect to a security that is a federal covered security under Section 18(b)(4)(D) of the Securities Act of 1933 (15 U.S.C. Section 77r(b)(4)(D)), a rule under this chapter may require a notice filing by or on behalf of an issuer to include a copy of Form D, including the Appendix, as promulgated by the Securities and Exchange Commission, and a consent to service of process complying with section 80A.88 signed by the issuer not later than 15 days after the first sale of the federal covered security in this state.
- (4) **Stop orders.** Except with respect to a federal security under Section 18(b)(1) of the Securities Act of 1933 (15 U.S.C. Section 77r(b)(1)), if the administrator finds that there is a failure to comply with a notice or fee requirement of this section, the administrator may issue a stop order suspending the offer and sale of a federal covered security in this state. If the deficiency is corrected, the stop order is void as of the time of its issuance and no penalty may be imposed by the administrator.
  - (b) Small corporation offering registration.
- 2.31 (1) **Registration required.** A security meeting the conditions set forth in this section may be registered as set forth in this section.

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(2) **Availability.** Registration under this section is available only to the issuer of securities and not to an affiliate of the issuer or to any other person for resale of the issuer's securities. The issuer must be organized under the laws of one of the states or possessions of the United States. The securities offered must be exempt from registration under the Securities Act of 1933 pursuant to Rule 504 of Regulation D (15 U.S.C. Section 77c).

- (3) **Disqualification.** Registration under this section is not available to any of the following issuers:
- (A) an issuer subject to the reporting requirements of Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934;
  - (B) an investment company;

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- (C) a development stage company that either has no specific business plan or purpose or has indicated that its business plan is to engage in a merger or acquisition with an unidentified company or companies or other entity or person;
- (D) an issuer if the issuer or any of its predecessors, officers, directors, governors, partners, ten percent stock or equity holders, promoters, or any selling agents of the securities to be offered, or any officer, director, governor, or partner of the selling agent:
- (i) has filed a registration statement that is the subject of a currently effective registration stop order entered under a federal or state securities law within five years before the filing of the small corporate offering registration application;
- (ii) has been convicted within five years before the filing of the small corporate offering registration application of a felony or misdemeanor in connection with the offer, purchase, or sale of a security or a felony involving fraud or deceit, including, but not limited to, forgery, embezzlement, obtaining money under false pretenses, larceny, or conspiracy to defraud;
- (iii) is currently subject to a state administrative enforcement order or judgment entered by a state securities administrator or the Securities and Exchange Commission within five years before the filing of the small corporate offering registration application, or is subject to a federal or state administrative enforcement order or judgment in which fraud or deceit, including, but not limited to, making untrue statements of material facts or omitting to state material facts, was found and the order or judgment was entered within five years before the filing of the small corporate offering registration application;
- (iv) is currently subject to an order, judgment, or decree of a court of competent jurisdiction temporarily restraining or enjoining, or is subject to an order, judgment, or

decree of a court of competent jurisdiction permanently restraining or enjoining the party from engaging in or continuing any conduct or practice in connection with the purchase or sale of any security or involving the making of a false filing with a state or with the Securities and Exchange Commission entered within five years before the filing of the small corporate offering registration application; or

- (v) is subject to a state's administrative enforcement order, or judgment that prohibits, denies, or revokes the use of an exemption for registration in connection with the offer, purchase, or sale of securities,
- (I) except that clauses (i) to (iv) do not apply if the person subject to the disqualification is duly licensed or registered to conduct securities-related business in the state in which the administrative order or judgment was entered against the person or if the dealer employing the party is licensed or registered in this state and the form BD filed in this state discloses the order, conviction, judgment, or decree relating to the person, and
- (II) except that the disqualification under this subdivision is automatically waived if the state securities administrator or federal agency that created the basis for disqualification determines upon a showing of good cause that it is not necessary under the circumstances to deny the registration.
- (4) Filing and effectiveness of registration statement. A small corporate offering registration statement must be filed with the administrator. If no stop order is in effect and no proceeding is pending under section 80A.54, such registration statement shall become effective automatically at the close of business on the 20th day after filing of the registration statement or the last amendment of the registration statement or at such earlier time as the administrator may designate by rule or order. For the purposes of a nonissuer transaction, other than by an affiliate of the issuer, all outstanding securities of the same class identified in the small corporate offering registration statement as a security registered under this chapter are considered to be registered while the small corporate offering registration statement is effective. A small corporate offering registration statement is effective for one year after its effective date or for any longer period designated in an order under this chapter. A small corporate offering registration statement may be withdrawn only with the approval of the administrator.
- (5) **Contents of registration statement.** A small corporate offering registration statement under this section shall be on Form U-7, including exhibits required by the instructions thereto, as adopted by the North American Securities Administrators Association, or such alternative form as may be designated by the administrator by rule or order and must include:

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- (B) a statement of the type and amount of securities to be offered and the amount of securities to be offered in this state;
- (C) a specimen or copy of the security being registered, unless the security is uncertificated, a copy of the issuer's articles of incorporation and bylaws or their substantial equivalents in effect, and a copy of any indenture or other instrument covering the security to be registered;
- (D) a signed or conformed copy of an opinion of counsel concerning the legality of the securities being registered which states whether the securities, when sold, will be validly issued, fully paid, and nonassessable and, if debt securities, binding obligations of the issuer;
- (E) the states (i) in which the securities are proposed to be offered; (ii) in which a registration statement or similar filing has been made in connection with the offering including information as to effectiveness of each such filing; and (iii) in which a stop order or similar proceeding has been entered or in which proceedings or actions seeking such an order are pending;
  - (F) a copy of the offering document proposed to be delivered to offerees; and
- (G) a copy of any other pamphlet, circular, form letter, advertisement, or other sales literature intended as of the effective date to be used in connection with the offering and any solicitation of interest used in compliance with section 80A.46(17)(B).
  - (6) **Copy to purchaser.** A copy of the offering document as filed with the administrator must be delivered to each person purchasing the securities prior to sale of the securities to such person.
  - (c) **Offering limit.** Offers and sales of securities under a small corporate offering registration as set forth in this section are allowed up to the limit prescribed by Code of Federal Regulations, title 17, part 230.504 (b)(2), as amended.

### (d) Regulation A - Tier 2 filing requirements.

- (1) **Initial filing.** An issuer planning to offer and sell securities in Minnesota in an offering exempt under Tier 2 of federal Regulation A must, at least 21 calendar days before the date of the initial sale of securities in Minnesota, submit to the administrator:
- (A) a completed Regulation A Tier 2 offering notice filing form or copies of all the
   documents filed with the Securities Exchange Commission; and

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(B) a consent to service of process on Form U-2, if consent to service of process is not
provided in the Regulation A - Tier 2 offering notice filing form.
The initial notice filing made in Minnesota is effective for 12 months after the date the
filing is made.
(2) <b>Renewal.</b> For each additional 12-month period in which the same offering is
continued, an issuer conducting a Tier 2 offering under federal Regulation A may renew
the notice filing by filing (i) the Regulation A - Tier 2 offering notice filing form marked
"renewal," or (ii) a cover letter or other document requesting renewal. The renewal filing
must be made on or before the date notice filing expires.
(3) Amendment. An issuer may increase the amount of securities offered in Minnesota
by submitting a Regulation A - Tier 2 offering notice filing form or other document
describing the transaction.
Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 80A.61, is amended to read:
80A.61 SECTION 406; REGISTRATION BY BROKER-DEALER, AGENT,
FUNDING PORTAL, INVESTMENT ADVISER, AND INVESTMENT ADVISER
REPRESENTATIVE.
(a) Application for initial registration by broker-dealer, agent, investment adviser,
or investment adviser representative. A person shall register as a broker-dealer, agent,
investment adviser, or investment adviser representative by filing an application and a
consent to service of process complying with section 80A.88, and paying the fee specified
in section 80A.65 and any reasonable fees charged by the designee of the administrator for
processing the filing. The application must contain:
(1) the information or record required for the filing of a uniform application; and
(2) upon request by the administrator, any other financial or other information or record
that the administrator determines is appropriate.
(b) Amendment. If the information or record contained in an application filed under
subsection (a) is or becomes inaccurate or incomplete in a material respect, the registrant
shall promptly file a correcting amendment.
(c) Effectiveness of registration. If an order is not in effect and a proceeding is not
pending under section 80A.67, registration becomes effective at noon on the 45th day after
a completed application is filed upless the registration is denied. A rule adopted or order

issued under this chapter may set an earlier effective date or may defer the effective date until noon on the 45th day after the filing of any amendment completing the application.

- (d) **Registration renewal.** A registration is effective until midnight on December 31 of the year for which the application for registration is filed. Unless an order is in effect under section 80A.67, a registration may be automatically renewed each year by filing such records as are required by rule adopted or order issued under this chapter, by paying the fee specified in section 80A.65, and by paying costs charged by the designee of the administrator for processing the filings.
- (e) Additional conditions or waivers. A rule adopted or order issued under this chapter may impose such other conditions, not inconsistent with the National Securities Markets Improvement Act of 1996. An order issued under this chapter may waive, in whole or in part, specific requirements in connection with registration as are in the public interest and for the protection of investors.
- (f) **Funding portal registration.** A funding portal that has its principal place of business in the state of Minnesota shall register with the state of Minnesota by filing with the administrator a copy of the information or record required for the filing of an application for registration as a funding portal in the manner established by the Securities and Exchange Commission and/or the Financial Institutions Regulatory Authority (FINRA), along with any rule adopted or order issued, and any amendments thereto.
  - (g) Application for investment adviser representative registration.
- (1) The application for initial registration as an investment adviser representative pursuant to section 80A.58 is made by completing Form U-4 (Uniform Application for Securities Industry Registration or Transfer) in accordance with the form instructions and by filing the form U-4 with the IARD. The application for initial registration must also include the following:
- 7.26 (i) proof of compliance by the investment adviser representative with the examination requirements of:
  - (A) the Uniform Investment Adviser Law Examination (Series 65); or
- (B) the General Securities Representative Examination (Series 7) and the Uniform
   Combined State Law Examination (Series 66);
- 7.31 (ii) any other information the administrator may reasonably require.
- 7.32 (2) The application for the annual renewal registration as an investment adviser representative shall be filed with the IARD.

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(3)(i) The investment adviser representative is under a continuing obligation to update information required by Form U-4 as changes occur;

- (ii) An investment adviser representative and the investment adviser must file promptly with the IARD any amendments to the representative's Form U-4; and
- (iii) An amendment will be considered to be filed promptly if the amendment is filed within 30 days of the event that requires the filing of the amendment.
- (4) An application for initial or renewal of registration is not considered filed for purposes of section 80A.58 until the required fee and all required submissions have been received by the administrator.
- (5) The application for withdrawal of registration as an investment adviser representative pursuant to section 80A.58 shall be completed by following the instructions on Form U-5 (Uniform Termination Notice for Securities Industry Registration) and filed upon Form U-5 with the IARD.
  - **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.
- Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 80A.66, is amended to read:

# 80A.66 SECTION 411; POSTREGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS.

- (a) **Financial requirements.** Subject to Section 15(h) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (15 U.S.C. Section 78o(h)) or Section 222 of the Investment Advisers Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. Section 80b-22), a rule adopted or order issued under this chapter may establish minimum financial requirements for broker-dealers registered or required to be registered under this chapter and investment advisers registered or required to be registered under this chapter.
- (b) **Financial reports.** Subject to Section 15(h) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (15 U.S.C. Section 78o(h)) or Section 222(b) of the Investment Advisers Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. Section 80b-22), a broker-dealer registered or required to be registered under this chapter and an investment adviser registered or required to be registered under this chapter shall file such financial reports as are required by a rule adopted or order issued under this chapter. If the information contained in a record filed under this subsection is or becomes inaccurate or incomplete in a material respect, the registrant shall promptly file a correcting amendment.

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(c) <b>Record keeping.</b> Subject to Section 15(h) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934
(15 U.S.C. Section 78o(h)) or Section 222 of the Investment Advisers Act of 1940 (15
U.S.C. Section 80b-22):

- (1) a broker-dealer registered or required to be registered under this chapter and an investment adviser registered or required to be registered under this chapter shall make and maintain the accounts, correspondence, memoranda, papers, books, and other records required by rule adopted or order issued under this chapter;
- (2) broker-dealer records required to be maintained under paragraph (1) may be maintained in any form of data storage acceptable under Section 17(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (15 U.S.C. Section 78q(a)) if they are readily accessible to the administrator; and
- (3) investment adviser records required to be maintained under paragraph (d)(1) may be maintained in any form of data storage required by rule adopted or order issued under this chapter.
  - (d) Records and reports of private funds.

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- (1) **In general.** An investment adviser to a private fund shall maintain such records of, and file with the administrator such reports and amendments thereto, that an exempt reporting adviser is required to file with the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to SEC Rule 204-4, Code of Federal Regulations, title 17, section 275.204-4.
- (2) **Treatment of records.** The records and reports of any private fund to which an investment adviser provides investment advice shall be deemed to be the records and reports of the investment adviser.
- (3) **Required information.** The records and reports required to be maintained by an investment adviser, which are subject to inspection by a representative of the administrator at any time, shall include for each private fund advised by the investment adviser, a description of:
- (A) the amount of assets under management;
- 9.28 (B) the use of leverage, including off-balance-sheet leverage, as to the assets under management;
- 9.30 (C) counterparty credit risk exposure;
- 9.31 (D) trading and investment positions;
  - (E) valuation policies and practices of the fund;

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- (G) side arrangements or side letters, whereby certain investors in a fund obtain more favorable rights or entitlements than other investors;
  - (H) trading practices; and
- (I) such other information as the administrator determines is necessary and appropriate in the public interest and for the protection of investors, which may include the establishment of different reporting requirements for different classes of fund advisers, based on the type or size of the private fund being advised.
- (4) **Filing of records.** A rule or order under this chapter may require each investment adviser to a private fund to file reports containing such information as the administrator deems necessary and appropriate in the public interest and for the protection of investors.
- (e) Audits or inspections. The records of a broker-dealer registered or required to be registered under this chapter and of an investment adviser registered or required to be registered under this chapter, including the records of a private fund described in paragraph (d) and the records of investment advisers to private funds, are subject to such reasonable periodic, special, or other audits or inspections by a representative of the administrator, within or without this state, as the administrator considers necessary or appropriate in the public interest and for the protection of investors. An audit or inspection may be made at any time and without prior notice. The administrator may copy, and remove for audit or inspection copies of, all records the administrator reasonably considers necessary or appropriate to conduct the audit or inspection. The administrator may assess a reasonable charge for conducting an audit or inspection under this subsection.
- (f) Custody and discretionary authority bond or insurance. Subject to Section 15(h) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (15 U.S.C. Section 78o(h)) or Section 222 of the Investment Advisers Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. Section 80b-22), a rule adopted or order issued under this chapter may require a broker-dealer or investment adviser that has custody of or discretionary authority over funds or securities of a customer or client to obtain insurance or post a bond or other satisfactory form of security in an amount of at least \$25,000, but not to exceed \$100,000. The administrator may determine the requirements of the insurance, bond, or other satisfactory form of security. Insurance or a bond or other satisfactory form of security may not be required of a broker-dealer registered under this chapter whose net capital exceeds, or of an investment adviser registered under this chapter whose minimum financial requirements exceed, the amounts required by rule or order under this chapter. The insurance, bond, or other satisfactory form of security must permit an action by a person

to enforce any liability on the insurance, bond, or other satisfactory form of security if instituted within the time limitations in section 80A.76(j)(2).

- (g) Requirements for custody. Subject to Section 15(h) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (15 U.S.C. Section 78o(h)) or Section 222 of the Investment Advisers Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. Section 80b-22), an agent may not have custody of funds or securities of a customer except under the supervision of a broker-dealer and an investment adviser representative may not have custody of funds or securities of a client except under the supervision of an investment adviser or a federal covered investment adviser. A rule adopted or order issued under this chapter may prohibit, limit, or impose conditions on a broker-dealer regarding custody of funds or securities of a customer and on an investment adviser regarding custody of securities or funds of a client.
- (h) **Investment adviser brochure rule.** With respect to an investment adviser registered or required to be registered under this chapter, a rule adopted or order issued under this chapter may require that information or other record be furnished or disseminated to clients or prospective clients in this state as necessary or appropriate in the public interest and for the protection of investors and advisory clients.
- (i) **Continuing education.** A rule adopted or order issued under this chapter may require an individual registered under section 80A.57 or 80A.58 to participate in a continuing education program approved by the Securities and Exchange Commission and administered by a self-regulatory organization.
- **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective January 1, 2025.
- Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 80C.05, subdivision 3, is amended to read:
- Subd. 3. **Escrow or impoundment of fees and other funds by commissioner.** If the commissioner finds that the applicant has failed to demonstrate that adequate financial arrangements have been made to fulfill obligations to provide real estate, improvements, equipment, inventory, training or other items included in the offering, the commissioner may by rule or order require the escrow or, impoundment, or deferral of franchise fees and other funds paid by the franchisee or subfranchisor until no later than the time of opening of the franchise business.
- 11.30 Sec. 6. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 82B.021, subdivision 26, is amended to read:
- Subd. 26. **Standards of professional practice.** "Standards of professional practice" means the version of the uniform standards of professional appraisal practice of the

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Appraisers Appraisal Standards Board of the Appraisal Foundation in effect as of January 1, 1991, or other version of these standards the commissioner may by order designate on the date the appraiser signs the appraisal report.

Sec. 7. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 82B.094, is amended to read:

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### 82B.094 SUPERVISION OF TRAINEE REAL PROPERTY APPRAISERS.

- (a) A certified residential real property appraiser or a certified general real property appraiser, in good standing, may engage a trainee real property appraiser to assist in the performance of real estate appraisals, provided that the certified residential real property appraiser or a certified general real property appraiser:
- (1) has been licensed in good standing as either a certified residential real property appraiser or a certified general real property appraiser for the three-year period immediately preceding the individual's application to become a supervisor;
- (2) has completed a six-hour course, approved in advance by the commissioner and provided by an education provider approved by the commissioner, that is specifically oriented to the requirements and responsibilities of supervisory appraisers and trainee appraisers. A course approved by the commissioner for the purposes of this section must be given the course title "Minnesota Supervisor/Trainee Appraiser Course";
- (3) has not been the subject of any license or certificate suspension or revocation or has not been prohibited from supervising activities in this state or any other state within the three years immediately preceding the individual's application to become a supervisor;
- (4) has no more than three trainee real property appraisers working under supervision at any one time;
- (5) actively and personally supervises the trainee real property appraiser, which includes ensuring that research of general and specific data has been adequately conducted and properly reported, application of appraisal principles and methodologies has been properly applied, that the analysis is sound and adequately reported, and that any analyses, opinions, or conclusions are adequately developed and reported so that the appraisal report is not misleading;
- (6) discusses with the trainee real property appraiser any necessary and appropriate changes that are made to a report, involving any trainee appraiser, before it is transmitted to the client. Changes not discussed with the trainee real property appraiser that are made by the supervising appraiser must be provided in writing to the trainee real property appraiser upon completion of the appraisal report;

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(7) accompanies the trainee real property appraiser on the inspections of the subject properties and drive-by inspections of the comparable sales on all appraisal assignments
for which the trainee will perform work until the trainee appraiser is determined to be
competent, in accordance with the competency rule of USPAP for the property type;
(8) accepts full responsibility for the appraisal report by signing and certifying that the report complies with USPAP; and
(9) reviews and signs the trainee real property appraiser's appraisal report or reports or
if the trainee appraiser is not signing the report, states in the appraisal the name of the trainee
and scope of the trainee's significant contribution to the report.
(b) The supervising appraiser must review and sign the applicable experience log required to be kept by the trainee real property appraiser.
(c) The supervising appraiser must notify the commissioner within ten days when the
supervision of a trainee real property appraiser has terminated or when the trainee appraise
is no longer under the supervision of the supervising appraiser.
(d) The supervising appraiser must maintain a separate work file for each appraisal
assignment.
(e) The supervising appraiser must verify that any trainee real property appraiser that is
subject to supervision is properly licensed and in good standing with the commissioner.
EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective January 1, 2026.
Sec. 8. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 82B.095, subdivision 3, is amended to read:
Subd. 3. Conformance to Appraisal Qualifications Board criteria. (a) The
requirements to obtain and maintain a trainee real property appraiser, licensed real property
appraiser, certified residential real property appraiser, or certified general real property
appraiser license are the education, examination, and experience requirements established
by the Appraiser Qualifications Board of the Appraisal Foundation and published in the
most recent version of the Real Property Appraiser Qualification Criteria.
(b) An applicant must complete the applicable education and experience requirements

before taking the required examination.

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Sec. 9. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 82B.13, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **Trainee real property appraiser.** As a prerequisite for licensing as a trainee real property appraiser, an applicant must present evidence satisfactory to the commissioner that the person has successfully completed a six-hour course that is specifically oriented to the requirements and responsibilities of supervisory appraisers and trainee appraisers. A course approved by the commissioner for the purposes of this subdivision must be given the course title "Minnesota Supervisor/Trainee Appraiser Course." This The course under this subdivision must not be counted toward qualifying education to upgrade to a higher level appraiser license.

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

Sec. 10. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 82B.19, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **License renewals.** (a) The commissioner must determine that a licensed real estate appraiser has met the continuing education requirements of this chapter before the commissioner renews a license. This determination must be based on, for a resident appraiser, course completion records uploaded electronically in a manner prescribed by the commissioner and, for a nonresident appraiser, course completion records presented by electronic transmission or uploaded electronically in a manner prescribed by the commissioner.

The basic continuing education requirement for renewal of a license is the completion by the applicant either as a student or as an instructor, during the immediately preceding term of licensing, of at least 30 classroom hours of instruction in courses or seminars that have received the approval of the commissioner. Classroom hour credit must not be accepted for courses of less than two hours. As part of the continuing education requirements of this section, the commissioner must require that all real estate appraisers successfully complete the seven-hour national USPAP update course every two years. If the applicant's immediately preceding term of licensing consisted of six or more months, but fewer than 24 months, the applicant must provide evidence of completion of 15 hours of instruction during the license period. The credit hours required under this section may be credited to a person for distance education courses that meet Appraiser Qualifications Board criteria. An approved prelicense education course may be taken for continuing education credit.

(b) The 15-hour USPAP course cannot be used to satisfy the requirement to complete the seven-hour national USPAP update course every two years.

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

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Sec. 11. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 115C.08, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **Imposing fee.** The board shall notify the commissioner of revenue if the unencumbered balance of the fund falls below \$4,000,000, and within 60 90 days after receiving notice from the board, the commissioner of revenue shall impose the fee established in subdivision 3 on the use of a tank for four calendar months, with payment to be submitted with each monthly distributor tax return.

- Sec. 12. Minnesota Statutes 2023 Supplement, section 239.791, subdivision 8, is amended to read:
  - Subd. 8. **Disclosure**; **reporting.** (a) A refinery or terminal, shall provide, at the time gasoline is sold or transferred from the refinery or terminal, a bill of lading or shipping manifest to the person who receives the gasoline. For oxygenated gasoline, the bill of lading or shipping manifest must include the identity and the volume percentage or gallons of oxygenate included in the gasoline, and it must state: "This fuel contains an oxygenate. Do not blend this fuel with ethanol or with any other oxygenate." For nonoxygenated gasoline, the bill or manifest must state: "This fuel is not oxygenated. It must not be sold at retail in Minnesota." This subdivision does not apply to sales or transfers of gasoline between refineries, between terminals, or between a refinery and a terminal.
  - (b) A delivery ticket required under section 239.092 for biofuel blended with gasoline must state the volume percentage of biofuel blended into gasoline delivered through a meter into a storage tank used for dispensing by persons not exempt under subdivisions 10 to 14 and 16.
  - (c) On or before the 23rd day of each month, a person responsible for the product must report to the department, in the form prescribed by the commissioner, the gross number of gallons of intermediate blends sold at retail by the person during the preceding calendar month. The report must identify the number of gallons by blend type. For purposes of this subdivision, "intermediate blends" means blends of gasoline and biofuel in which the biofuel content, exclusive of denaturants and other permitted components, is greater than ten percent and no more than 50 percent by volume. This paragraph only applies to a person who is responsible for selling intermediate blends at retail at more than ten locations. A person responsible for the product at fewer than ten locations is not precluded from reporting the gross number of intermediate blends if a report is available.
  - (d) All reports provided pursuant to paragraph (c) are nonpublic data, as defined in section 13.02, subdivision 9.

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Sec. 13. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 272.12, is amended to read:

### 272.12 CONVEYANCES, TAXES PAID BEFORE RECORDING.

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- (a) a deed or other instrument conveying land,
- (b) a plat of any townsite or addition thereto,
- (c) a survey required pursuant to section 508.47,
- 16.7 (d) a condominium plat subject to chapter 515 or 515A or a declaration that contains

  such a plat, or
  - (e) a common interest community plat subject to chapter 515B or a declaration that contains such a plat,

is presented to the county auditor for transfer, the auditor shall ascertain from the records 16.11 if there be taxes delinquent upon the land described therein, or if it has been sold for taxes. 16.12 An assignment of a sheriff's or referee's certificate of sale, when the certificate of sale 16.13 16.14 describes real estate, and certificates of redemption from mortgage or lien foreclosure sales, when the certificate of redemption encompasses real estate and is issued to a junior creditor, 16.15 are considered instruments conveying land for the purposes of this section and section 16.16 272.121. If there are taxes delinquent, the auditor shall certify to the same; and upon payment 16.17 of such taxes, or in case no taxes are delinquent, shall transfer the land upon the books of 16.18 the auditor's office, and note upon the instrument, over official signature, the words, "no 16.19 delinquent taxes and transfer entered," or, if the land described has been sold or assigned 16.20 to an actual purchaser for taxes, the words "paid by sale of land described within;" and, 16.21 unless such statement is made upon such instrument, the county recorder or the registrar of 16.22 titles shall refuse to receive or record the same; provided, that sheriff's or referees' certificates 16.23 of sale on execution or foreclosure of a lien or mortgage, certificates of redemption from 16.24 mortgage or lien foreclosure sales issued to the redeeming mortgagor or lienee, documents 16.25 16.26 evidencing the termination of a contract for deed as described in section 559.213, deeds of distribution made by a personal representative in probate proceedings, transfer on death 16.27 deeds under section 507.071, decrees and judgments, receivers receipts, patents, and copies 16.28 of town or statutory city plats, in case the original plat filed in the office of the county 16.29 recorder has been lost or destroyed, and the instruments releasing, removing and discharging 16.30 16.31 reversionary and forfeiture provisions affecting title to land and instruments releasing, removing or discharging easement rights in land or building or other restrictions, may be 16.32 recorded without such certificate; and, provided that instruments conveying land and, as 16.33

appurtenant thereto an easement over adjacent tract or tracts of land, may be recorded without such certificate as to the land covered by such easement; and provided further, that any instrument granting an easement made in favor of any public utility or pipe line for conveying gas, liquids or solids in suspension, in the nature of a right-of-way over, along, across or under a tract of land may be recorded without such certificate as to the land covered by such easement. Documents governing homeowners associations of condominiums, townhouses, common interest ownership communities, and other planned unit developments may be recorded without the auditor's certificate to the extent provided in section 515B.1-116(e).

A deed of distribution made by a personal representative in a probate proceeding, a decree, or a judgment that conveys land shall be presented to the county auditor, who shall transfer the land upon the books of the auditor's office and note upon the instrument, over official signature, the words, "transfer entered", and the instrument may then be recorded. A decree or judgment that affects title to land but does not convey land may be recorded without presentation to the auditor.

A violation of this section by the county recorder or the registrar of titles shall be a gross misdemeanor, and, in addition to the punishment therefor, the recorder or registrar shall be liable to the grantee of any instrument so recorded for the amount of any damages sustained.

When, as a condition to permitting the recording of deed or other instrument affecting the title to real estate previously forfeited to the state under the provisions of sections 281.16 to 281.25, county officials, after such real estate has been purchased or repurchased, have required the payment of taxes erroneously assumed to have accrued against such real estate after forfeiture and before the date of purchase or repurchase, the sum required to be so paid shall be refunded to the persons entitled thereto out of moneys in the funds in which the sum so paid was placed. Delinquent taxes are those taxes deemed delinquent under section 279.02.

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

- Sec. 14. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 325D.43, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:
- Subd. 5a. Person. "Person" means any individual, corporation, firm, partnership, incorporated and unincorporated association, or any other legal or commercial entity.

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18.1	Sec. 15. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 325D.44, is amended by adding a subdivision
18.2	to read:
18.3	Subd. 1a. Advertisements, displays, or offers. (a) A person engages in a deceptive
18.4	trade practice when, in the course of business, vocation, or occupation, the person advertises,
18.5	displays, or offers a price for goods or services that does not include all mandatory fees or
18.6	surcharges. If the person that disseminates an advertisement is independent of the advertiser,
18.7	then that person shall not be liable for the content of the advertisement.
18.8	(b) For purposes of this subdivision, "mandatory fee" includes but is not limited to a fee
18.9	or surcharge that:
18.10	(1) must be paid in order to purchase the goods or services being advertised;
18.11	(2) is not reasonably avoidable by the consumer; or
18.12	(3) a reasonable person would expect to be included in the purchase of the goods or
18.13	services being advertised.
18.14	For the purposes of this subdivision, mandatory fee does not include taxes imposed by a
18.15	government entity.
18.16	(c) In order to comply with this subdivision, a food delivery platform must ensure that:
18.17	(1) prior to a consumer viewing and selecting menu items for purchase, a food delivery
18.18	platform must display in a clear and conspicuous manner that an additional fee to the price
18.19	of the menu items will be charged. The disclosure must include the additional fee amount.
18.20	A consumer must acknowledge the disclosure before proceeding to the menu; and
18.21	(2) after a consumer selects menu items for purchase, a food delivery platform must
18.22	display a subtotal page that itemizes the price of the menu items and the additional fee that
18.23	will be included in the total cost.
18.24	(d) A person may charge a reasonable postage or shipping fee that will be actually
18.25	incurred by a consumer who has purchased a good that requires shipping.
18.26	(e) Nothing in this subdivision shall prevent a person from offering goods or services
18.27	at a discounted price from the advertised, displayed, or offered price.
18.28	(f) A person offering goods or services in an auction where consumers can place bids
18.29	on the goods or services and the total cost is indeterminable must disclose in a clear and
18.30	conspicuous manner any mandatory fees associated with the transaction and that the total
18.31	cost of the goods or services may vary.
18.32	(g) This subdivision is enforceable to the extent permitted by federal law.

Sec. 16. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 325D.44, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

- Subd. 4. Automatic gratuity. A food service establishment shall be deemed compliant with this section if, in every offer or advertisement for the purchase or lease of a good or service that includes pricing information, the total price of the good or service being offered or advertised includes a clear and conspicuous disclosure of the percentage of any automatic and mandatory gratuities to be charged.
- 19.8 Sec. 17. Minnesota Statutes 2023 Supplement, section 325E.21, subdivision 1b, is amended to read:
  - Subd. 1b. **Purchase or acquisition record required.** (a) Every scrap metal dealer, including an agent, employee, or representative of the dealer, shall create a permanent record written in English, using an electronic record program at the time of each purchase or acquisition of scrap metal or a motor vehicle. The record must include:
  - (1) a complete and accurate account or description, including the weight if customarily purchased by weight, of the scrap metal or motor vehicle purchased or acquired;
  - (2) the date, time, and place of the receipt of the scrap metal or motor vehicle purchased or acquired and a unique transaction identifier;
- 19.18 (3) a photocopy or electronic scan of the seller's proof of identification including the identification number;
  - (4) the amount paid and the number of the check or electronic transfer used to purchase or acquire the scrap metal or motor vehicle;
  - (5) the license plate number and description of the vehicle used by the person when delivering the scrap metal or motor vehicle, including the vehicle make and model, and any identifying marks on the vehicle, such as a business name, decals, or markings, if applicable;
  - (6) a statement signed by the seller, under penalty of perjury as provided in section 609.48, attesting that the scrap metal or motor vehicle is not stolen and is free of any liens or encumbrances and the seller has the right to sell it;
- 19.28 (7) a copy of the receipt, which must include at least the following information: the name 19.29 and address of the dealer, the date and time the scrap metal or motor vehicle was received 19.30 by the dealer, an accurate description of the scrap metal or motor vehicle, and the amount 19.31 paid for the scrap metal or motor vehicle; and

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(8) in order to purchase or acquire a detached catalytic converter, the vehicle identification number of the car it was removed from or, as an alternative, any numbers, bar codes, stickers, or other unique markings, whether resulting from the pilot project created under subdivision 2b or some other source. The alternative number must be under a numbering system that can be immediately linked to the vehicle identification number by law enforcement; and

- (9) (8) the identity or identifier of the employee completing the transaction.
- (b) The record, as well as the scrap metal or motor vehicle purchased or acquired, shall at all reasonable times be open to the inspection of any properly identified law enforcement officer.
- (c) Except for the purchase or acquisition of detached catalytic converters or motor vehicles, no record is required for property purchased or acquired from merchants, manufacturers, salvage pools, insurance companies, rental car companies, financial institutions, charities, dealers licensed under section 168.27, or wholesale dealers, having an established place of business, or of any goods purchased or acquired at open sale from any bankrupt stock, but a receipt as required under paragraph (a), clause (7), shall be obtained and kept by the person, which must be shown upon demand to any properly identified law enforcement officer.
- (d) The dealer must provide a copy of the receipt required under paragraph (a), clause (7), to the seller in every transaction.
- (e) The commissioner of public safety and law enforcement agencies in the jurisdiction where a dealer is located may conduct inspections and audits as necessary to ensure compliance, refer violations to the city or county attorney for criminal prosecution, and notify the registrar of motor vehicles.
- (f) Except as otherwise provided in this section, a scrap metal dealer or the dealer's agent, employee, or representative may not disclose personal information concerning a customer without the customer's consent unless the disclosure is required by law or made in response to a request from a law enforcement agency. A scrap metal dealer must implement reasonable safeguards to protect the security of the personal information and prevent unauthorized access to or disclosure of the information. For purposes of this paragraph, "personal information" is any individually identifiable information gathered in connection with a record under paragraph (a).

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Sec. 18. Minnesota Statutes 2023 Supplement, section 325E.21, subdivision 11, is amended to read:

- Subd. 11. **Prohibition on possessing catalytic converters; exception.** (a) It is unlawful for a person to possess a used catalytic converter that is not attached to a motor vehicle except when:
- (1) the converter is marked with the date the converter was removed from the vehicle and the identification number of the vehicle from which the converter was removed or an alternative number to the vehicle identification number, as an alternative to the vehicle identification number, any numbers, bar codes, stickers, or other unique markings, whether resulting from the pilot project created under subdivision 2b or some other source; or
- (2) the converter has been EPA certified for reuse as a replacement part.
- (b) If an alternative number to the vehicle identification number is used, it must be under a numbering system that can be immediately linked to the vehicle identification number by law enforcement. The marking of the vehicle identification or alternative number may be made in any permanent manner, including but not limited to an engraving or use of permanent ink. The marking must clearly and legibly indicate the date removed and the vehicle identification number or the alternative number and the method by which law enforcement can link the converter to the vehicle identification number.
- Sec. 19. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 325F.03, is amended to read:

### 325F.03 FLAME RESISTANT PUBLIC ASSEMBLY TENTS.

No person, firm or corporation shall establish, maintain or operate any circus, side show, carnival, tent show, theater, skating rink, dance hall, or a similar exhibition, production, engagement or offering or other place of assemblage in or under which ten 15 or more persons may gather for any lawful purpose in any tent, awning or other fabric enclosure unless such tent, awning or other fabric enclosure, and all auxiliary tents, curtains, drops, awnings and all decorative materials, are made from a nonflammable material or are treated and maintained in a flame resistant condition. This section shall does not apply to tents designed or manufactured for camping, backpacking, mountaineering, or children's play; tents used to conduct committal services on the grounds of a cemetery; nor to tents, awnings or other fabric enclosures erected and used within a sound stage, or other similar structural enclosure which is equipped with an overhead automatic sprinkler system.

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Sec. 20. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 325F.04, is amended to read:

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No person, firm, or corporation may sell or offer for sale or manufacture for sale in this state any tent subject to section 325F.03 unless all fabrics or pliable materials in the tent are durably flame resistant. No person, firm or corporation may sell or offer for sale or manufacture for sale in this state any sleeping bag unless it meets the standards of the commissioner of public safety for flame resistancy. Tents and sleeping bags subject to section 325F.03 shall be conspicuously labeled as being durably flame resistant.

Sec. 21. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 325F.05, is amended to read:

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The commissioner of public safety shall act so as to have effective rules concerning standards for nonflammable, flame resistant and durably flame resistant materials and for labeling requirements by January 1, 1976 under sections 325F.03 and 325F.04. In order to comply with sections 325F.03 and 325F.04 all materials and labels must comply with the rules adopted by the commissioner. The commissioner has general rulemaking power to otherwise implement sections 325F.03 to 325F.07.

### Sec. 22. [325F.078] SALES OF AEROSOL DUSTERS CONTAINING 1,1-

## 22.18 **DIFLUOROETHANE (DFE).**

- 22.19 <u>Subdivision 1.</u> **Definitions.** (a) For the purposes of this section, the following terms have the meanings given.
- 22.21 (b) "Aerosol duster" means a product used to clean electronics and other items by means 22.22 of an aerosol sprayed from a pressurized container.
- 22.23 (c) "Behind-the-counter" means placement by a retailer of a product to ensure that

  22.24 customers do not have direct access to the product before a sale is made, requiring the seller

  22.25 to deliver the product directly to the buyer.
- 22.26 (d) "DFE" or "1,1-difluoroethane" means a chemical with a Chemicals Abstract Service
  22.27 Registry Number of 75-37-6.
- 22.28 Subd. 2. Requirements for retail sale. A retailer must only sell an aerosol duster that
  22.29 contains DFE:
- 22.30 (1) from behind-the-counter;

23.1	(2) to a purchaser who presents valid evidence that the purchaser is at least 21 years of
23.2	age; and
23.3	(3) in a quantity that complies with the purchasing limit established in subdivision 3.
23.4	Subd. 3. Purchasing limit. A retailer is prohibited from selling more than three cans of
23.5	an aerosol duster containing DFE to a customer in a single transaction.
23.6	Subd. 4. Exemption. Subdivisions 2 and 3 do not apply to a business purchasing aerosol
23.7	dusters online.
23.8	Subd. 5. Labeling. (a) An aerosol duster containing DFE must not be sold in this state
23.9	unless the aerosol duster conforms to the labeling requirements established in this subdivision.
23.10	(b) The label on each can of aerosol duster containing DFE must contain the following,
23.11	placed within a red rectangle encompassing at least one-half of the area of the rear side of
23.12	the can:
23.13	(1) at the top left corner of the rectangle, the words "Inhalant Abuse Public Safety
23.14	Announcement" in red ink on a white background that covers one quarter of the rear side
23.15	of the can;
23.16	(2) below the words in clause (1), the words "DANGER: DEATH! Breathing this product
23.17	to get high can kill you" in white ink on a red background;
23.18	(3) at the top right corner of the rectangle, a skull and crossbones symbol in black ink
23.19	on a yellow background contained within a triangle, and the word "DANGER" in black ink
23.20	on a yellow background just below the triangle;
23.21	(4) below the symbol in clause (3), in black ink on a white background, the words:
23.22	"Abuse or Misuse" underlined, under which are the words "Danger: Can stop your heart
23.23	Caution: Can cut off air to your brain Warning: Can result in death";
23.24	(5) below the words in clause (4), a drawing of a person lying on the ground, in white
23.25	ink, within a red circle, on a white background, contained within a red triangle;
23.26	(6) below the triangle in clause (5), in white ink on a red background, the word
23.27	"WARNING," and, below that, "Risk of death when abused or misused";
23.28	(7) across the bottom of the rectangle, in black type on a white background, the words
23.29	"This product contains a bittering agent to help discourage inhalant abuse. The misuse and
23.30	abuse of this product by deliberately concentrating and inhaling the chemical contents
23.31	presents a serious health hazard and can result in fatality. Please use this product responsibly
23.32	as the product was intended."; and

24.1	(8) below the words in clause (7), two smaller versions of the skull and crossbones
24.2	symbols described in clause (3) on a white background, placed equidistant from the edges
24.3	of the red rectangle, and in between which, in red ink, is the website address
24.4	"www.inhalant.org."
24.5	(c) The safety symbols and color standards of the label described in this section must
24.6	conform with the ANSI Z535 safety signage standards guidelines established by the American
24.7	National Standards Institute.
24.8	Subd. 6. Violations. (a) A person that violates subdivision 2 or 3 is guilty of a
24.9	misdemeanor.
24.10	(b) It is an affirmative defense to a charge under subdivision 2, clause (2), if the defendant
24.11	proves by a preponderance of the evidence that the defendant reasonably and in good faith
24.12	relied on proof of age as described in section 340A.503, subdivision 6.
24.13	<b>EFFECTIVE DATE.</b> This section is effective the day following final enactment and
24.14	applies to purchases of aerosol dusters made on or after that date.
24.15	Sec. 23. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 325F.56, subdivision 2, is amended to read:
24.16	Subd. 2. Repairs. "Repairs" means work performed for a total price of more than \$100
24.17	and less than \$7,500, including the price of parts and materials, to restore a malfunctioning,
24.18	defective, or worn motor vehicle, appliance, or dwelling place used primarily for personal,
24.19	family, or household purposes and not primarily for business or agricultural purposes.
24.20	"Repairs" do not include service calls or estimates.
24.21	Sec. 24. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 325F.62, subdivision 3, is amended to read:
24.22	Subd. 3. Required notice to be displayed. Each shop shall conspicuously display a
24.23	sign that states the following: "Upon a customer's request, this shop is required to provide
24.24	a written estimate for repairs costing more than \$100 to \$7,500 if the shop agrees to perform
24.25	the repairs. The shop's final price cannot exceed its written estimate by more than ten percent
24.26	without the prior authorization of the customer. You must request that the estimate be in
24.27	writing. An oral estimate is not subject to the above repair cost limitations. If the shop
24.28	charges a fee for the storage or care of repaired motor vehicles or appliances, the shop shall
24.29	conspicuously display a sign that states the amount assessed for storage or care, when the
24.30	charge begins to accrue, and the interval of time between assessments."

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Subdivision 1. <b>Definitions.</b>	(a) For the purposes of this section, the following terms have
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- (b) "Commissioner" means the commissioner of commerce.
- (c) "Entertainment" means all forms of entertainment, including but not limited to
   theatrical or operatic performances, concerts, motion pictures, entertainment at fairgrounds,
   amusement parks, athletic competitions and other sports, and all other forms of diversion,
   recreation, or show.
- 25.9 (d) "Internet domain name" means a globally unique, hierarchical reference to an Internet
  25.10 host or service, which is assigned through a centralized Internet naming authority and which
  25.11 is composed of a series of character strings separated by periods with the rightmost string
  25.12 specifying the top of the hierarchy.
- 25.13 (e) "Online ticket marketplace" means the administrator of a website or other electronic 25.14 service, including an agent, employee, or assignee of such administrator, that sells tickets 25.15 or maintains a platform to facilitate the sale of tickets.
- 25.16 (f) "Operator" means a person, including an agent, employee, or assignee of such person,
  25.17 who:
- 25.18 (1) owns, operates, or controls a place of entertainment;
- 25.19 (2) produces entertainment; or
- 25.20 (3) sells a ticket to an entertainment for original sale.
- 25.21 (g) "Person" means a party, individual, partnership, association, corporation, or other
  25.22 legal entity.
- (h) "Place of entertainment" means an entertainment facility, including but not limited
  to an amphitheater, theater, stadium, arena, racetrack, museum, amusement park, venue,
  club, or other place where performances, concerts, exhibits, athletic games, contests, or
  other forms of entertainment are held. For the purposes of this section, place of entertainment
  does not include movie theaters.
- 25.28 (i) "Ticket" means any evidence of the right of entry to any place of entertainment.
- 25.29 (j) "Ticket reseller" means a person that offers or sells tickets for resale after the original
  25.30 sale to an entertainment event located in this state and includes an operator to the extent
  25.31 that the operator offers or sells tickets for resale. Sales by a ticket reseller includes sales by
  25.32 any means, including, but not limited to, in-person, or by telephone, mail, delivery service,

26.1	facsimile, Internet, e-mail or other electronic means. A ticket reseller does not include a
26.2	person that purchases a ticket solely for their own use or the use of their invitees, employees,
26.3	or agents.
26.4	(k) "URL" means a uniform resource locator for a website on the Internet.
26.5	Subd. 2. Disclosures. (a) An operator, ticket reseller, or online ticket marketplace must,
26.6	at all times during the ticket listing and purchasing process, disclose in an easily readable
26.7	and conspicuous manner and in dollars:
26.8	(1) the total cost of the ticket, inclusive of all fees and surcharges that must be paid in
26.9	order to purchase the ticket;
26.10	(2) the portion of the ticket price that represents a service charge; and
26.11	(3) any other fee or surcharge to the purchaser.
26.12	(b) The disclosure of subtotals, fees, charges, and all other components of the total price
26.13	must not be false or misleading, and shall not be presented more prominently or in the same
26.14	or larger size than the total price. The disclosure of subtotals, fees, charges, and all other
26.15	components of the total price may be displayed in a way that allows the purchaser to hide
26.16	or minimize the itemized list. The price of a ticket must not increase with respect to a
26.17	particular person after the ticket is first displayed to such person, excluding reasonable fees
26.18	for the delivery of nonelectronic tickets based on the delivery method selected by the
26.19	purchaser and any additional purchases made by the purchaser, which must be disclosed
26.20	prior to accepting payment.
26.21	(c) A ticket reseller and online ticket marketplace must disclose in an easily readable
26.22	and conspicuous manner on its website or electronic service:
26.23	(1) that the website or electronic service is owned or operated by a ticket reseller or
26.24	online ticket marketplace and that the price of a resale ticket offered for sale may be higher
26.25	or lower than the original purchase price;
26.26	(2) that the purchaser is responsible for checking with the place of entertainment for
26.27	information on changes to the event or cancellations prior to the event's start time; and
26.28	(3) the refund policy of the ticket reseller or online ticket marketplace.
26.29	A ticket reseller or online ticket marketplace must require a purchaser to confirm having
26.30	read the disclosures required by this paragraph before completing a transaction.

27.1	(d) A ticket reseller or online ticket marketplace must provide proof of purchase to the
27.2	purchaser which must include all event and ticket information within 24 hours of the
27.3	purchase, including:
27.4	(1) that the purchaser is responsible for checking with the place of entertainment for
27.5	information on changes to the event or cancellations prior to the event's start time; and
27.6	(2) the refund policy of the ticket reseller or online ticket marketplace.
27.7	(e) An online ticket marketplace must not use any combination of text, images, trademark,
27.8	copyright, web designs, or Internet addresses that is identical or substantially similar to text,
27.9	images, trademark, copyright, web designs, or Internet addresses associated with a place of
27.10	entertainment without the written permission of the place of entertainment duly authorized
27.11	to provide such permission. This paragraph does not prohibit an online ticket marketplace
27.12	from using text containing the name of a place of entertainment or of an event in order to
27.13	describe the location of the event or the event itself. This paragraph does not prohibit an
27.14	online ticket marketplace from providing information or images identifying the specific
27.15	seat or area the purchaser will occupy in the place of entertainment.
27.16	(f) The obligations of paragraphs (a) to (d) do not apply to any person, unless the person
27.17	engaged in annual aggregate transactions that were equal to or greater than \$5,000.
27.18	Subd. 3. Prohibitions. (a) A ticket reseller or online ticket marketplace must not:
27.19	(1) sell or offer to sell more than one copy of the same ticket to a place of entertainment;
27.20	(2) employ another person directly or indirectly to wait in line to purchase tickets for
27.21	the purpose of reselling the tickets if the practice is prohibited or if the place of entertainment
27.22	has posted a policy prohibiting the practice;
27.23	(3) sell or offer to sell a ticket without first informing the person of the location of the
27.24	place of entertainment and the ticket's assigned seat, including but not limited to the seat
27.25	number, row, and section number of the seat;
27.26	(4) sell or offer to sell a ticket for which there is no assigned seat without first informing
27.27	the person of the general admission area to which the ticket corresponds; or
27.28	(5) advertise, offer for sale, or contract for the sale of a ticket before the ticket has been
27.29	made available to the public, including via presale, without first obtaining permission from
27.30	the place of entertainment, and having actual or constructive possession of such ticket,
27.31	unless the ticket reseller owns the ticket pursuant to a season ticket package purchased by
27.32	the ticket reseller.

28.1	(b) A person must not use or cause to be used an Internet domain name or subdomain
28.2	thereof in an operator, ticket reseller, or online ticket marketplace website's URL that contains
28.3	any of the following, unless acting on behalf of the place of entertainment, event, or person
28.4	scheduled to perform or appear at the event:
28.5	(1) the name of a place of entertainment;
28.6	(2) the name of an event, including the name of a person scheduled to perform or appear
28.7	at the event; or
28.8	(3) a name substantially similar to those described in clause (1) or (2).
28.9	(c) A person must not:
28.10	(1) circumvent any portion of the process for purchasing a ticket on the Internet or for
28.11	admission to a place of entertainment, including but not limited to security or identity
28.12	validation measures or an access control system; or
28.13	(2) disguise the identity of a purchaser for the purpose of purchasing a number of tickets
28.14	for admission to a place of entertainment that exceeds the maximum number of tickets
28.15	allowed for purchase by a person.
28.16	(d) A person must not sell a ticket obtained in violation of paragraph (c) if the person:
28.17	(1) participated in or had the ability to control the conduct committed in violation of
28.18	paragraph (c); or
28.19	(2) knew that the ticket was acquired in violation of paragraph (c).
28.20	(e) An operator, online ticket marketplace, or ticket reseller must not sell a ticket unless:
28.21	(1) the ticket is in the possession or constructive possession of the operator, online ticket
28.22	marketplace, or ticket reseller; or
28.23	(2) the operator, online ticket marketplace, or ticket reseller has a written contract with
28.24	the place of entertainment to obtain the ticket.
28.25	(f) Pursuant to United States Code, title 15, section 45c, circumvention of a security
28.26	measure, access control system, or other technological control measure used by an online
28.27	ticket marketplace to enforce posted event ticket purchasing limits or to maintain the integrity
28.28	of posted online ticket purchasing order rules is prohibited.
28.29	Subd. 4. Commissioner data requests; data practices. (a) Upon request by the
28.30	commissioner, an online ticket marketplace must disclose to the commissioner information
28.31	about technology and methods used in a violation of subdivision 3, paragraph (f). Data

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collec	eted or maintained by the commissioner under this subdivision are civil investigative
data u	under section 13.39, and the commissioner may share with the attorney general any
not pu	ablic data, as defined in section 13.02, subdivision 8a, received under this subdivision.
<u>(b</u>	) The commissioner may enforce this section under section 45.027.
<u>E</u> ]	FFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective January 1, 2025, and applies to tickets
sold c	on or after that date.
Sec	. 26. [ <b>3250.01</b> ] CITATION.
<u>T1</u>	nis chapter may be cited as the "Prohibiting Social Media Manipulation Act."
Sec	. 27. [325O.02] DEFINITIONS.
<u>(a</u>	) For purposes of this chapter, the following terms have the meanings given.
<u>(</u> b	) "Accessible user interface" means a way for a user to input data, make a choice, or
take a	un action on a social media platform in two clicks or less.
<u>(c</u>	) "Account holder" means a natural person or legal person who holds an account or
profil	e with a social media platform.
<u>(d</u>	) "Account interactions" means any action that an account holder can make within a
social	media platform that has an impact on another user. Account interactions include, but
re no	ot limited to:
<u>(1</u>	) sending messages or invitations to users;
<u>(2</u>	) reporting users;
<u>(3</u>	) commenting on, resharing, liking, voting, or otherwise reacting to users' user-generated
conte	nt; and
<u>(4</u>	) posting user-generated content or disseminating user-generated content to users.
Actio	ns that have no impact on other users, such as viewing user-generated content or public
conte	nt, are not account interactions.
<u>(e</u>	) "Algorithmic ranking system" means a computational process, including one derived
from	algorithmic decision making, machine learning, statistical analysis, or other data
oroce	ssing or artificial intelligence techniques, used to determine the selection, order, relative
priori	tization, or relative prominence of content from a set of information that is provided
to a u	ser on a social media platform, including search results ranking, content
recon	nmendations, content display, or any other automated content selection method.

<u>(</u>	f) "Click" means an act of selecting an option on an electronic interface by pressing a
butto	on, touching a screen, making a gesture, issuing a voice command, or other means.
(	g) "Content" means any media, including but not limited to written posts, images, visua
or au	adio recordings, notifications, and games, that a user views, reads, watches, listens to,
or of	therwise interacts or engages with on a social media platform. Content includes other
acco	unt holders' accounts or profiles when recommended to a user by the social media
platf	<u>Form.</u>
(	h) "Default" means a preselected option adopted by a social media platform for the
socia	al media platform's service, product, or feature.
(	i) "Device operating system provider" means a business that manages or develops
oper	ating system software for mobile or desktop devices, including but not limited to persona
com	puters, smartphones, and tablets, which manage device resources and are loaded by a
boot	program. Device operating system provider does not include a business that manages
or de	evelops operating system software for a video game console, as defined by section
3251	E.72.
<u>(</u>	j) "Engage" or "engagement" means a user's utilization of the social media platform.
(	k) "Existing extended network" means a user's existing network plus the set of account
hold	ers on a social media platform who are all directly connected to the account holders
with	in that user's existing network.
(	l) "Existing network" means the set of account holders on a social media platform with
who	m a user has consented to have a direct connection.
(	m) "Expressed preferences" means a freely given, considered, specific, and unambiguous
<u>indi</u>	cation of a user's preferences regarding the user's engagement with a social media
platf	form. Expressed preferences cannot be based on the user's time spent engaging with
cont	ent on the social media platform, nor on the usage of features that do not indicate explici-
pref	erence, such as comments made, posts reshared, or similar actions that may be taken
on c	ontent the user perceives to be of low quality. Expressed preferences may not be obtained
thro	ugh a user interface designed or manipulated with the substantial effect of subverting
or in	npairing a user's decision making.
(	n) "Optimize" means promoted, prioritized, or maximized by a social media platform's
algo	rithmic ranking system.
(	o) "Social media platform" means an electronic medium, including a browser-based or
appl	ication-based interactive computer service, Internet website, telephone network, or data

31.1	network that allows an account holder to create, share, and view user-generated content for
31.2	the predominant purpose of social interaction, sharing content, or personal networking.
31.3	Social media platform does not include:
31.4	(1) an internet search provider;
31.5	(2) an internet service provider;
31.6	(3) an emailor short-message-service;
31.7	(4) a streaming service, online video game, or other Internet website where the content
31.8	is not user-generated but where interactive functions enable chat, comments, reviews, or
31.9	other interactive functionality that is incidental to, directly related to, or dependent upon
31.10	provision of the content;
31.11	(5) a communication service, including text, audio, or video communication technology,
31.12	provided by a business to the business's employees and clients for use in the course of
31.13	business activities and not for public distribution, except that social media platform does
31.14	include a communication service provided by a social media platform;
31.15	(6) an advertising network with the sole function of delivering commercial content;
31.16	(7) a telecommunications carrier, as defined in United States Code, title 47, section 153;
31.17	(8) a broadband service as defined by section 116J.39, subdivision 1;
31.18	(9) single purpose community groups for education;
31.19	(10) teleconferencing or video-conferencing services that allow reception and transmission
31.20	of audio and video signals for real-time communication, except that social media platform
31.21	does include such services provided by a social media platform;
31.22	(11) cloud computing services, which may include cloud storage and shared document
31.23	collaboration; or
31.24	(12) providing or obtaining technical support for a platform, product, or service.
31.25	(p) "Time sensitive" means content that is welcomed under a user's expressed preferences
31.26	and that would have significantly reduced value to the user with the passing of time.
31.27	(q) "User" means a natural person who is located in Minnesota and who holds an account
31.28	or profile with a social media platform.
31.29	(r) "User-generated content" means any content created by an account holder that is
31.30	uploaded, posted, shared, or disseminated on the social media platform.

(s) "Varied set of account holders" means a set of account holders who have diffe	<u>rent</u>
behaviors and histories.	
Sec. 28. [3250.03] SCOPE; EXCLUSIONS.	
(a) A social media platform is subject to this chapter if the social media platform	, <u>,</u>
(1) does business in Minnesota or provides products or services that are targeted	<u>to</u>
residents of Minnesota; and	
(2) has more than 10,000 monthly active account holders located in Minnesota.	
(b) For purposes of this chapter, a social media platform may determine whether	<u>an</u>
account holder is located in Minnesota based on:	
(1) the account holder's own supplied address or location;	
(2) global positioning system-level latitude, longitude, or altitude coordinates;	
(3) cellular phone system coordinates;	
(4) Internet protocol device address; or	
(5) other mechanisms that can be used to identify an account holder's location.	
(c) This chapter applies exclusively to social media platform operations that direct	<u>tly</u>
mpact account holders reasonably presumed to be located within the state of Minne	<u>sota</u>
ased on the factors in paragraph (b).	
Sec. 29. [3250.04] REQUIREMENTS FOR SOCIAL MEDIA PLATFORMS.	
Subdivision 1. Content optimization. (a) A social media platform must provide	an
accessible user interface that allows a user to clearly indicate whether a particular pic	
content:	
(1) is of high or low quality; and	
(2) complies with the user's expressed preferences.	
(b) A social media platform's algorithmic ranking system must optimize content	for a
user that:	
(1) a varied set of account holders indicates is of high quality; and	
(2) complies with a user's expressed preferences.	

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33.1	(c) A social media platform's algorithmic ranking system must not optimize content that
33.2	is not related to a user's expressed preferences in order to maximize the user's engagement
33.3	with the platform.
33.4	Subd. 2. Account interaction limits. (a) A social media platform must develop criteria
33.5	to designate an account holder who has recently created an account with or joined the social
33.6	platform as a new account holder. An account created within 30 days must be considered
33.7	a new account holder. For a new account holder, a social media platform must set daily
33.8	numerical limits on account interactions equivalent to the 50th percentile of all platform
33.9	account holders.
33.10	(b) For all account holders, a social media platform must set daily numerical limits on
33.11	account interactions equivalent to the two standard deviations above the median for all
33.12	platform account holders. A limit required under this paragraph may allow an account holder
33.13	to have account interactions in excess of the limit, but at a minimum must reduce the impact
33.14	of the engagement on other users. A limit may be exceeded for account interactions with
33.15	another user if the other user clearly initiates and welcomes the engagement.
33.16	Subd. 3. Default privacy settings. (a) A social media platform must provide default
33.17	settings for a user that do not:
33.18	(1) allow the user's account or the user's user-generated content to be discovered by
33.18 33.19	(1) allow the user's account or the user's user-generated content to be discovered by anyone outside the user's existing extended network;
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33.19	anyone outside the user's existing extended network;
33.19 33.20	anyone outside the user's existing extended network;  (2) allow messaging, requests, reactions, comments, or other contact from an account
33.19 33.20 33.21	anyone outside the user's existing extended network;  (2) allow messaging, requests, reactions, comments, or other contact from an account holder that is not already within the user's existing extended network, unless the user initiates
33.19 33.20 33.21 33.22	anyone outside the user's existing extended network;  (2) allow messaging, requests, reactions, comments, or other contact from an account holder that is not already within the user's existing extended network, unless the user initiates and welcomes the contact;
33.19 33.20 33.21 33.22 33.23	anyone outside the user's existing extended network;  (2) allow messaging, requests, reactions, comments, or other contact from an account holder that is not already within the user's existing extended network, unless the user initiates and welcomes the contact;  (3) reveal the user's location outside the user's existing network, unless the user
33.19 33.20 33.21 33.22 33.23 33.24	anyone outside the user's existing extended network;  (2) allow messaging, requests, reactions, comments, or other contact from an account holder that is not already within the user's existing extended network, unless the user initiates and welcomes the contact;  (3) reveal the user's location outside the user's existing network, unless the user specifically shares the user's location outside the user's existing network;
33.19 33.20 33.21 33.22 33.23 33.24 33.25	anyone outside the user's existing extended network;  (2) allow messaging, requests, reactions, comments, or other contact from an account holder that is not already within the user's existing extended network, unless the user initiates and welcomes the contact;  (3) reveal the user's location outside the user's existing network, unless the user specifically shares the user's location outside the user's existing network;  (4) disseminate any information about the user, including the user's profile and any of
33.19 33.20 33.21 33.22 33.23 33.24 33.25 33.26	anyone outside the user's existing extended network;  (2) allow messaging, requests, reactions, comments, or other contact from an account holder that is not already within the user's existing extended network, unless the user initiates and welcomes the contact;  (3) reveal the user's location outside the user's existing network, unless the user specifically shares the user's location outside the user's existing network;  (4) disseminate any information about the user, including the user's profile and any of the user's user-generated content, to anyone outside of the user's existing network without
33.19 33.20 33.21 33.22 33.23 33.24 33.25 33.26 33.27	anyone outside the user's existing extended network;  (2) allow messaging, requests, reactions, comments, or other contact from an account holder that is not already within the user's existing extended network, unless the user initiates and welcomes the contact;  (3) reveal the user's location outside the user's existing network, unless the user specifically shares the user's location outside the user's existing network;  (4) disseminate any information about the user, including the user's profile and any of the user's user-generated content, to anyone outside of the user's existing network without a specific request from the user to disseminate the information; or
33.19 33.20 33.21 33.22 33.23 33.24 33.25 33.26 33.27	anyone outside the user's existing extended network;  (2) allow messaging, requests, reactions, comments, or other contact from an account holder that is not already within the user's existing extended network, unless the user initiates and welcomes the contact;  (3) reveal the user's location outside the user's existing network, unless the user specifically shares the user's location outside the user's existing network;  (4) disseminate any information about the user, including the user's profile and any of the user's user-generated content, to anyone outside of the user's existing network without a specific request from the user to disseminate the information; or  (5) allow or facilitate a user's user-generated content, or any user's facial or biometric
33.19 33.20 33.21 33.22 33.23 33.24 33.25 33.26 33.27 33.28 33.29	anyone outside the user's existing extended network;  (2) allow messaging, requests, reactions, comments, or other contact from an account holder that is not already within the user's existing extended network, unless the user initiates and welcomes the contact;  (3) reveal the user's location outside the user's existing network, unless the user specifically shares the user's location outside the user's existing network;  (4) disseminate any information about the user, including the user's profile and any of the user's user-generated content, to anyone outside of the user's existing network without a specific request from the user to disseminate the information; or  (5) allow or facilitate a user's user-generated content, or any user's facial or biometric data, to be incorporated into generative artificial intelligence models without the user's
33.19 33.20 33.21 33.22 33.23 33.24 33.25 33.26 33.27 33.28 33.29 33.30	anyone outside the user's existing extended network;  (2) allow messaging, requests, reactions, comments, or other contact from an account holder that is not already within the user's existing extended network, unless the user initiates and welcomes the contact;  (3) reveal the user's location outside the user's existing network, unless the user specifically shares the user's location outside the user's existing network;  (4) disseminate any information about the user, including the user's profile and any of the user's user-generated content, to anyone outside of the user's existing network without a specific request from the user to disseminate the information; or  (5) allow or facilitate a user's user-generated content, or any user's facial or biometric data, to be incorporated into generative artificial intelligence models without the user's explicit consent.

allowing the user's information or user-generated content to be shared or disseminated more

34.2	broadly.
34.3	Subd. 4. Option for heightened protection. (a) A social media platform must provide
34.4	an accessible user interface to allow a user to opt in to any or all of the heightened protection
34.5	requirements under paragraph (d). A social media platform may make the heightened
34.6	protections the default settings for all users or all account holders.
34.7	(b) A device operating system provider must provide an option for a user to automatically
34.8	opt in to any or all of the heightened protection requirements under paragraph (d) across all
34.9	social media platforms managed by the operating system on the user's device. If a user
34.10	selects the option under this paragraph, the device operating system provider must inform
34.11	all social media platforms managed by the provider's operating system of the user's
34.12	preference, and a notified social media platform must adjust the user's account settings
34.13	accordingly. A device operating system provider may provide a user the ability to opt out
34.14	of any or all heightened protections.
34.15	(c) A device operating system provider must, by default, consider any device with
34.16	parental controls enabled to have opted in to all the heightened protection requirements
34.17	under paragraph (d).
34.18	(d) For a user receiving heightened protections, a social media platform must not:
34.19	(1) use platform features that increase, sustain, or extend a user's engagement with the
34.20	platform beyond the user's expressed preferences regarding time or duration. Features subject
34.21	to this clause include but are not limited to:
34.22	(i) optimization for time spent or content consumed;
34.23	(ii) content feeds without finite endings;
34.24	(iii) autoplaying videos or other content; and
34.25	(iv) notifications that are not time sensitive; or
34.26	(2) provide any visible count showing how much engagement content that the user
34.27	viewed, consumed, or generated has received.
34.28	Subd. 5. Transparency requirements. (a) A social media platform must publicly post
34.29	the following information on the social media platform's website:
34.30	(1) an explanation of how the social media platform designates new account holders and
34.31	an explanation detailing the operation and effect of usage limits applicable to new account
34.32	holders under subdivision 2, paragraph (a);

35.1	(2) an explanation detailing the operation and effect of the usage limits required under
35.2	subdivision 2, paragraph (b);
35.3	(3) an explanation detailing how the platform:
35.4	(i) assesses users' perceptions of the quality of content;
35.5	(ii) assesses users' expressed preferences regarding content; and
35.6	(iii) utilizes the assessments under items (i) and (ii) in the social media platform's
35.7	algorithmic ranking system, including how these assessments are weighted in relation to
35.8	other signals in the algorithmic ranking system;
35.9	(4) statistics on the platform's use with respect to the tenth, 25th, 50th, 75th, 90th, 95th,
35.10	99th, and 99.9th percentile of all platform account holders for each distinct type of account
35.11	interaction or engagement, including but not limited to:
35.12	(i) sending invitations or messages to other platform account holders;
35.13	(ii) commenting on, resharing, liking, voting for, or otherwise reacting to content;
35.14	(iii) posting new user-generated content;
35.15	(iv) disseminating user-generated content to other platform account holders; and
35.16	(v) time spent on the platform
35.17	(5) an explanation of how the platform determines whether a notification is time sensitive;
35.18	(6) an explanation of how the platform determines what constitutes a "varied set of
35.19	account holders," including what behaviors are used as signals and how any measurement
35.20	of difference is created and used; and
35.21	(7) a description of all product experiments that have been conducted on 1,000 or more
35.22	users, including the results of the product experiments on users' engagement with content
35.23	<u>that:</u>
35.24	(i) users indicate to be high or low quality;
35.25	(ii) users indicate complies or does not comply with the users' expressed preferences;
35.26	<u>and</u>
35.27	(iii) violates platform policies.
35.28	(b) Additional steps taken by a social media platform to prevent abusive usage beyond
35.29	what must be publicly disclosed under paragraph (a) are encouraged and may, but are not
35.30	required to, be publicly disclosed.

(c) When automatically delivering, suggesting, or selecting content to a user, a social media platform must provide an accessible user interface to allow the user to access a basic, nontechnical explanation detailing why a particular piece of content was promoted by the platform's algorithmic ranking system. Sec. 30. [325O.05] ENFORCEMENT. The attorney general may bring a civil enforcement action and recover the relief provided in section 8.31 against a social media platform that violates this chapter. Nothing in this chapter establishes a private right of action, including under section 8.31, subdivision 3a, for a violation of this chapter or any other law. Sec. 31. [325O.06] SEVERABILITY. 36.10 If any provision of this chapter or the chapter's application to any person or circumstance 36.11 is held invalid for any reason in a court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder of the 36.12 chapter or the application of the provision to other persons or circumstances is not affected. 36.13 Sec. 32. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 507.235, subdivision 1a, is amended to read: 36.14 Subd. 1a. Requirements of vendor. (a) A vendor entering into a contract for deed 36.15 involving residential real property must, contemporaneously with the execution of the 36.16 36.17 contract for deed: (1) deliver to the vendee a copy of the contract for deed containing original signatures 36.18 36.19 in recordable form; and. (2) (b) Within four months of the execution of the contract for deed, the vendor must: 36.20 36.21 (1) pay, or reimburse the vendee for payment of, any delinquent taxes necessary for recordation of the contract for deed, unless the contract for deed provides for the vendee to 36.22 pay the delinquent taxes; and 36.23 (2) record the contract for deed in the office of the county recorder or registrar of titles in the county in which the land is located.

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- (c) The following statement included in a contract for deed for other than residential 36.26 real property shall constitute prima facie evidence that this subdivision does not apply: "The 36.27 property is not residential real property." 36.28
  - (d) If the contract for deed is not in recordable form, within four months of the execution of the contract for deed the vendor must make a good faith effort to correct the defects that rendered the contract unrecordable. A good faith effort includes but is not limited to

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37.1	determining the reason or reasons why the contract was not in recordable form, and revising
37.2	and, if necessary, having all parties re-execute, the contract to render it in recordable form.
37.3	The vendee must, in good faith, cooperate with the vendor to the extent that cooperation is
37.4	necessary to correct the defects.
37.5	(b) (e) For purposes of this subdivision:
37.6	(1) "contract for deed" means an executory contract for the conveyance of residential
37.7	real property under which the seller provides financing for the purchase of the residential
37.8	real property and under which the purchaser does or has a right to go into possession.
37.9	Contract for deed does not include:
37.10	(i) a purchase agreement;
37.11	(ii) an earnest money contract;
37.12	(iii) an exercised option or a lease, including a lease with an option to purchase; or
37.13	(iv) a mortgage, as defined in section 287.01; and
37.14	(2) "residential real property" means real property occupied, or intended to be occupied,
37.15	by one to four families, if the purchaser intends to occupy the real property consisting of
37.16	one to four family dwelling units, one of which is intended to be occupied as the principal
37.17	place of residence by:
37.18	(i) the purchaser;
37.19	(ii) if the purchaser is an entity, the natural person who is the majority or controlling
37.20	owner of the entity; or
37.21	(iii) if the purchaser is a trust, the settlor of the trust.
37.22	Residential real property does not include property subject to a family farm security loan
37.23	or a transaction subject to sections 583.20 to 583.32.
37.24	(f) The performance of the obligations by the vendor required under this subdivision
37.25	satisfies any of the obligations of the original vendee, as required under subdivision 1.
37.26	(g) The requirements of this subdivision may not be waived or altered by any provision
37.27	in a contract for deed. A provision in a contract for deed to the contrary is void and
37.28	unenforceable.
37.29	<b>EFFECTIVE DATE.</b> This section is effective August 1, 2024, and applies to all contracts
37.30	for deed executed by all parties on or after that date.

Sec. 33. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 507.235, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

Subd. 5. **Civil enforcement.** (a) A city in which the land is located or, if the land is not located within a city, the county in which the land is located, may enforce the provisions of this section. The city or county may bring an action to compel the recording of a contract for deed or any assignments of a contract for deed, an action to impose the civil penalty, or an action to compel disclosure of information.

- (b) Prior to bringing an action under this subdivision to compel recording or to impose the penalty, or an action under subdivision 4, the city or county must provide written notice to the person, subject to subdivision 1, of the person's duty to record the contract for deed or the assignment. If the person so notified fails to record the contract for deed or assignment documents within 14 days of receipt of the notice, an action may be brought.
- (c) It is an affirmative defense in an enforcement action under this section that the contract for deed or assignment document is not recordable, or that section 272.121 prohibits the recording of the contract for deed or assignment, and that the defendant has provided to the city or county attorney true and correct copies of the documents within 14 days after receipt of the notice.
- (d) In an action brought under this subdivision, the city or county attorney may recover costs and disbursements, including reasonable attorney fees.

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

- Sec. 34. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 513.73, subdivision 3, is amended to read:
- Subd. 3. **Private transfer fee.** "Private transfer fee" means a fee or charge required by a private transfer fee obligation and payable upon the transfer of an interest in real property, or payable for the right to make or accept the transfer, regardless of whether the fee or charge is a fixed amount or is determined as a percentage of the value of the property, the purchase price, or other consideration given for the transfer. The following are not private transfer fees for purposes of this section:
- (1) consideration payable by the grantee to the grantor for the interest in real property being transferred, including any subsequent additional consideration for the property payable by the grantee based upon any subsequent appreciation, development, or sale of the property, provided that the additional consideration is payable on a onetime basis only, and the obligation to make the payment does not bind successors in title to the property. For the purposes of this clause, an interest in real property may include a separate mineral estate and its appurtenant surface access rights;

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(2) commission payable to a licensed real estate broker for the transfer of real property pursuant to an agreement between the broker and the grantor or the grantee, including any subsequent additional commission for that transfer payable by the grantor or the grantee based upon any subsequent appreciation, development, or sale of the property;

- (3) interest, charges, fees, or other amounts payable by a borrower to a lender pursuant to a loan secured by a mortgage against real property, including but not limited to a fee payable to the lender for consenting to an assumption of the loan or a transfer of the real property subject to the mortgage, fees, or charges payable to the lender for estoppel letters or certificates, and shared appreciation interest or profit participation or other consideration and payable to the lender in connection with the loan;
- (4) rent, reimbursement, charge, fee, or other amount payable by a lessee to a lessor under a lease, including but not limited to a fee payable to the lessor for consenting to an assignment, subletting, encumbrance, or transfer of the lease;
- (5) consideration payable to the holder of an option to purchase an interest in real property or the holder of a right of first refusal or first offer to purchase an interest in real property for waiving, releasing, or not exercising the option or right upon the transfer of the property to another person;
- (6) consideration payable by a contract for deed vendee to the vendor pursuant to the terms of a recorded contract for deed, including any subsequent additional consideration for the property payable by the vendee based upon any subsequent appreciation, development, or sale of the property;
- (7) (6) a tax, fee, charge, assessment, fine, or other amount payable to or imposed by a governmental authority;
- (8) (7) a fee, charge, assessment, fine, or other amount payable to a homeowner's condominium, cooperative, mobile home, or property owner's association pursuant to a declaration or covenant or law applicable to the association, including but not limited to fees or charges payable for estoppel letters or certificates issued by the association or its authorized agent;
- (9) (8) a fee, a charge, an assessment, dues, a contribution, or other amount pertaining to the purchase or transfer of a club membership relating to real property owned by the member, including but not limited to any amount determined by reference to the value, purchase price, or other consideration given for the transfer of the real property; and

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(10) (9) a mortgage from the purchaser of real property granted to the seller or to a licensed real estate broker.

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

- Sec. 35. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 559.21, subdivision 2a, is amended to read:
- Subd. 2a. **For post 7/31/1985 contract.** If a default occurs in the conditions of a contract for the conveyance of real estate or an interest in real estate executed on or after August 1, 1985, that gives the seller a right to terminate it, the seller may terminate the contract by serving upon the purchaser or the purchaser's personal representatives or assigns, within or outside of the state, a notice specifying the conditions in which default has been made. The notice must state that the contract will terminate 60 days, or a shorter period allowed <u>or a longer period required</u> in subdivision 4, after the service of the notice, unless prior to the termination date the purchaser:
  - (1) complies with the conditions in default;

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- 40.14 (2) makes all payments due and owing to the seller under the contract through the date 40.15 that payment is made;
  - (3) pays the costs of service of the notice, including the reasonable costs of service by sheriff, public officer, or private process server; except payment of costs of service is not required unless the seller notifies the purchaser of the actual costs of service by certified mail to the purchaser's last known address at least ten days prior to the date of termination;
  - (4) except for earnest money contracts, purchase agreements, and exercised options, pays two percent of any amount in default at the time of service, not including the final balloon payment, any taxes, assessments, mortgages, or prior contracts that are assumed by the purchaser; and
- (5) if the contract for deed is executed on or after August 1, 2024, pays an amount to 40.24 apply on attorneys' fees actually expended or incurred of \$1,000; if the contract is executed 40.25 on or after August 1, 1999, and before August 1, 2024, pays an amount to apply on attorneys' 40.26 fees actually expended or incurred, of \$250 if the amount in default is less than \$1,000, and 40.27 of \$500 if the amount in default is \$1,000 or more; or if the contract is executed before 40.28 August 1, 1999, pays an amount to apply on attorneys' fees actually expended or incurred, 40.29 of \$125 if the amount in default is less than \$750, and of \$250 if the amount in default is 40.30 \$750 or more; except that no amount for attorneys' fees is required to be paid unless some 40.31 part of the conditions of default has existed for at least 30 days prior to the date of service 40.32 of the notice. 40.33

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Sec. 36. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 559.21, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

Subd. 4. Law prevails over contract; procedure; conditions. (a) The notice required by this section must be given notwithstanding any provisions in the contract to the contrary, except that (1) earnest money contracts, purchase agreements, and exercised options that are subject to this section may, unless by their terms they provide for a longer termination period, be terminated on 30 days' notice, or may be canceled under section 559.217 and (2) contracts for deed executed by an investor seller shall be terminated on 90 days' notice. The notice must be served within the state in the same manner as a summons in the district court, and outside of the state, in the same manner, and without securing any sheriff's return of not found, making any preliminary affidavit, mailing a copy of the notice or doing any other preliminary act or thing whatsoever. Service of the notice outside of the state may be proved by the affidavit of the person making the same, made before an authorized officer having a seal, and within the state by such an affidavit or by the return of the sheriff of any county therein.

- (b) If a person to be served is a resident individual who has departed from the state, or cannot be found in the state; or is a nonresident individual or a foreign corporation, partnership, or association, service may be made by publication as provided in this paragraph. Three weeks' published notice has the same effect as personal service of the notice. The published notice must comply with subdivision 3 and state (1) that the person to be served is allowed 90 days after the first date of publication of the notice to comply with the conditions of the contract, and (2) that the contract will terminate 90 days after the first date of publication of the notice, unless before the termination date the purchaser complies with the notice. If the real estate described in the contract is actually occupied, then, in addition to publication, a person in possession must be personally served, in like manner as the service of a summons in a civil action in state district court, within 30 days after the first date of publication of the notice. If an address of a person to be served is known, then within 30 days after the first date of publication of the notice a copy of the notice must be mailed to the person's last known address by first class mail, postage prepaid.
  - (c) The contract is reinstated if, within the time mentioned, the person served:
- 41.31 (1) complies with the conditions in default;
- 41.32 (2) if subdivision 1d or 2a applies, makes all payments due and owing to the seller under the contract through the date that payment is made;

- (3) pays the costs of service as provided in subdivision 1b, 1c, 1d, or 2a;
- 42.2 (4) if subdivision 2a applies, pays two percent of the amount in default, not including 42.3 the final balloon payment, any taxes, assessments, mortgages, or prior contracts that are 42.4 assumed by the purchaser; and
- 42.5 (5) pays attorneys' fees as provided in subdivision 1b, 1c, 1d, or 2a.

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- (d) The contract is terminated if the provisions of paragraph (c) are not met.
  - (e) In the event that the notice was not signed by an attorney for the seller and the seller is not present in the state, or cannot be found in the state, then compliance with the conditions specified in the notice may be made by paying to the court administrator of the district court in the county wherein the real estate or any part thereof is situated any money due and filing proof of compliance with other defaults specified, and the court administrator of the district court shall be deemed the agent of the seller for such purposes. A copy of the notice with proof of service thereof, and the affidavit of the seller, the seller's agent or attorney, showing that the purchaser has not complied with the terms of the notice, may be recorded with the county recorder or registrar of titles, and is prima facie evidence of the facts stated in it; but this section in no case applies to contracts for the sale or conveyance of lands situated in another state or in a foreign country. If the notice is served by publication, the affidavit must state that the affiant believes that the party to be served is not a resident of the state, or cannot be found in the state, and either that the affiant has mailed a copy of the notice by first class mail, postage prepaid, to the party's last known address, or that such address is not known to the affiant.
- 42.22 (f) No notice under this section may be given for a contract for deed executed by an
  42.23 investor seller unless, at least 30 days prior to the service of the notice, some part of the
  42.24 conditions of default has existed and the investor seller has notified the purchaser of such
  42.25 conditions of default by certified mail to the purchaser's last known address.
- 42.26 (g) For purposes of this subdivision, "investor seller" has the meaning given in section 42.27 559A.01, subdivision 5.
- 42.28 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2024.
- Sec. 37. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 559.21, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:
- 42.31 Subd. 4a. Termination prohibited for certain transfers regarding residential real
  42.32 property. (a) Notwithstanding any provisions in a contract for deed to the contrary, the

43.1	notice under this section may not be given and no other remedies may be exercised for any
43.2	contract for deed based on any of the following transfers:
43.3	(1) a transfer on death deed conveying or assigning the deceased purchaser's interest in
43.4	the property to a grantee beneficiary;
43.5	(2) a transfer by devise, descent, or operation of law on the death of a joint tenant occurs
43.6	(3) a transfer by which the spouse or children of the purchaser become an owner of the
43.7	property;
43.8	(4) a transfer resulting from a decree of a dissolution of marriage, legal separation
43.9	agreement, or from an incidental property settlement agreement, by which the spouse of
43.10	the purchaser becomes an owner of the property; or
43.11	(5) a transfer into an inter vivos trust by which the purchaser is and remains a beneficiary
43.12	and which does not relate to a transfer of rights of occupancy in the property.
43.13	(b) For the purposes of this subdivision, "contract for deed" has the meaning given in
43.14	section 507.235, subdivision 1a, paragraph (e).
43.15	<b>EFFECTIVE DATE.</b> This section is effective August 1, 2024, and applies to all contracts
43.16	for deed executed by all parties on or after that date.
43.17	Sec. 38. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 559.21, is amended by adding a subdivision to
43.18	read:
43.19	Subd. 4b. Termination prohibited if vendor fails to record contracts for deed
43.20	involving residential real property. (a) Notwithstanding subdivision 2a or any provision
43.21	to the contrary in a contract for deed, a vendor may not terminate a contract for deed under
43.22	this section if the contract has not been recorded as required under section 507.235,
43.23	subdivision 1a, paragraph (b), and the vendor has failed to make a good faith effort to record
43.24	the contract as provided under section 507.235, subdivision 1a, paragraph (d).
43.25	(b) Nothing contained in this subdivision bars judicial termination of a contract for deed
43.26	(c) For the purposes of this subdivision, "contract for deed" has the meaning given in
43.27	section 507.235, subdivision 1a, paragraph (e).
43.28	<b>EFFECTIVE DATE.</b> This section is effective August 1, 2024, and applies to all contracts
43.29	for deed executed by all parties on or after that date.

Sec. 39. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 559.21, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 9. Affidavit of seller constituting prima facie evidence. In any instance where the copy of the notice of default, proof of service of the notice, and an affidavit showing that the purchaser has not complied with the terms of the notice have been or may be recorded, an affidavit of the seller, the seller's agent, or attorney verified by a person having knowledge of the facts and attesting that the seller is not an investor seller or that the seller has complied with the requirements of subdivision 4, paragraph (f), may be recorded with the county recorder or registrar of titles and is prima facie evidence of the facts stated in the affidavit.

44.11 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2024, and applies to contracts for deed executed by all parties on or after that date.

Sec. 40. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 559.211, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **Order; proceedings; security.** (a) In an action arising under or in relation to a contract for the conveyance of real estate or any interest therein, the district court, notwithstanding the service or publication pursuant to the provisions of section 559.21 of a notice of termination of the contract, has the authority at any time prior to the effective date of termination of the contract and subject to the requirements of rule 65 of the Rules of Civil Procedure for the District Courts to enter an order temporarily restraining or enjoining further proceedings to effectuate the termination of the contract, including recording of the notice of termination with proof of service, recording of an affidavit showing noncompliance with the terms of the notice, taking any action to recover possession of the real estate, or otherwise interfering with the purchaser's lawful use of the real estate. In the action, the purchaser may plead affirmatively any matter that would constitute a defense to an action to terminate the contract.

(b) Upon a motion for a temporary restraining order the court has the discretion, notwithstanding any rule of court to the contrary, to grant the order without requiring the giving of any security or undertaking, and in exercising that discretion, the court shall consider, as one factor, the moving party's ability to afford monetary security. Upon a motion for a temporary injunction, the court shall condition the granting of the order either upon the tender to the court or vendor of installments as they become due under the contract or upon the giving of other security in a sum as the court deems proper. Upon written application, the court may disburse from payments tendered to the court an amount the court determines necessary to insure the timely payment of property taxes, property insurance,

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45.1	installments of special assessments, mortgage installments, prior contract for deed
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45.3	purpose the court deems just.
45.4	(c) If a temporary restraining order or injunction is granted pursuant to this subdivision,
45.5	the contract shall not terminate until the expiration of 15 days after the entry of the order
45.6	or decision dissolving or modifying the temporary restraining order or injunction. If the
45.7	vendor has made an appearance and the restraining order or injunction is granted, the court
45.8	may award court filing fees, reasonable attorney fees, and costs of service to the purchaser.
45.9	(d) If the court subsequently grants permanent relief to the purchaser or determines by
45.10	final order or judgment that the notice of termination was invalid or the purchaser asserted
45.11	a valid defense, the purchaser is entitled to an order granting court filing fees, reasonable
45.12	attorney fees, and costs of service.
45.13	EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective August 1, 2024.
45.14	Sec. 41. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 559.213, is amended to read:
45.15	559.213 PRIMA FACIE EVIDENCE OF TERMINATION.
45.16	The recording, heretofore or hereafter, of the copy of notice of default, proof of service
45.17	thereof, and the affidavit showing that the purchaser has not complied with the terms of the
45.18	notice, provided for by Minnesota Statutes 1941, section 559.21, shall be prima facie evidence
45.19	that the contract referred to in such notice has been terminated. It shall not be necessary to
45.20	pay current or delinquent real estate taxes owed on the real property which is the subject of
45.21	the contract to record the documents required by this section, provided that the documents
45.22	must be first presented to the county auditor for entry upon the transfer record and must
45.23	have "Transfer Entered" noted in them over the county auditor's official signature.
45.24	<b>EFFECTIVE DATE.</b> This section is effective the day following final enactment.
45.25	Sec. 42. [559A.01] CONTRACTS FOR DEED INVOLVING INVESTOR SELLERS
45.26	AND RESIDENTIAL REAL PROPERTY; DEFINITIONS.
45.27	Subdivision 1. Application. The definitions in this section apply to sections 559A.01
45.28	to 559A.05.
45.29	Subd. 2. Balloon payment. "Balloon payment" means a scheduled payment of principal,
45.30	interest, or both, under a contract for deed that is significantly larger than the regular
45.31	installment payments and that may be due prior to the end of the contract term or may be

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46.1	Subd. 3. Churning. "Churning" means the act of an investor seller executing a contract
46.2	for deed on or after August 1, 2024, if previously the investor had frequently or repeatedly
46.3	executed contracts for deed and subsequently terminated those contracts under section
46.4	<u>559.21.</u>
46.5	Subd. 4. Contract for deed. "Contract for deed" has the meaning given in section
46.6	507.235, subdivision 1a.
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46.7	Subd. 5. Investor seller. (a) "Investor seller" means a person entering into a contract
46.8	for deed to sell residential real property, or, in the event of a transfer or assignment of the
46.9	seller's interest, the holder of the interest.
46.10	(b) An investor seller does not include a person entering into a contract for deed who
46.11	<u>is:</u>
46.12	(1) a natural person who has owned and occupied the residential real property as the
46.13	natural person's primary residence for a continuous 12-month period at any time prior to
46.14	the execution of the contract for deed;
46.15	(2) any spouse, parent, child, sibling, grandparent, grandchild, uncle, aunt, niece, nephew,
46.16	or cousin of the natural person;
46.17	(3) a personal representative of the natural person;
46.18	(4) a devisee of the natural person;
46.19	(5) a grantee under a transfer on death deed made by the natural person; or
46.20	(6) a trust whose settlor is the natural person;
46.21	(7) a trust whose beneficiary is a natural person where the trust or the natural person, or
46.22	a combination of the two, has owned, and the natural person has occupied, the residential
46.23	real property as the natural person's primary residence for a continuous 12-month period at
46.24	any time prior to the execution of the contract for deed, or any spouse, parent, child, sibling,
46.25	grandparent, grandchild, uncle, aunt, niece, nephew, or cousin of the natural person;
46.26	(8) a natural person selling on contract for deed to any spouse, parent, child, sibling,
46.27	grandparent, grandchild, uncle, aunt, niece, nephew, or cousin;
46.28	(9) a bank, credit union, or residential mortgage originator that is under the supervision
46.29	of or regulated by the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, the Federal Deposit
46.30	Insurance Corporation, the National Credit Union Administration, or the Minnesota
46.31	Department of Commerce; and

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+/.1	(10) a natural person who has owned and leased the residential real property to the
47.2	purchaser for at least the prior two years.
47.3	(c) If, substantially contemporaneous with the execution of the contract for deed, the
47.4	seller's interest is assigned or transferred to a person who does not meet any of the
47.5	qualifications of paragraph (b), the assignee or transferee shall be deemed to be an investor
47.6	seller who has executed the contract for deed.
47.7	Subd. 6. Person. "Person" means a natural person, partnership, corporation, limited
47.8	liability company, association, trust, or other legal entity, however organized.
47.9	Subd. 7. Purchase agreement. "Purchase agreement" means a purchase agreement for
47.10	a contract for deed, an earnest money contract, or an executed option contemplating that,
47.11	at closing, the investor seller and the purchaser will enter into a contract for deed.
47.12	Subd. 8. Purchaser. "Purchaser" means a person who executes a contract for deed to
47.13	purchase residential real property. Purchaser includes all purchasers who execute the same
47.14	contract for deed to purchase residential real property.
47.15	Subd. 9. Residential real property. "Residential real property" means real property
47.16	consisting of one to four family dwelling units, one of which is intended to be occupied as
47.17	the principal place of residence by:
47.18	(1) the purchaser;
47.19	(2) if the purchaser is an entity, the natural person who is the majority or controlling
47.20	owner of the entity; or
47.21	(3) if the purchaser is a trust, the settlor or beneficiary of the trust.
47.22	Residential real property does not include a transaction subject to sections 583.20 to 583.32.
47.23	<b>EFFECTIVE DATE.</b> This section is effective August 1, 2024, and applies to contracts
47.24	for deed executed by all parties on or after that date.
47.25	Sec. 43. [559A.02] APPLICABILITY.
47.26	This chapter applies only to residential real property where a purchaser is entering into
47.27	a contract for deed with an investor seller. Either of the following statements included in a
47.28	contract for deed in which the property is not residential real property or the seller is not an
47.29	investor seller shall constitute prima facie evidence that this chapter does not apply to the
47.30	contract for deed: "The property is not residential real property" or "The seller is not an
47.31	investor seller." A person examining title to the property may rely on either statement.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2024, and applies to contracts 48.1 for deed executed by all parties on or after that date. 48.2

## Sec. 44. [559A.03] CONTRACTS FOR DEED INVOLVING INVESTOR SELLERS AND RESIDENTIAL REAL PROPERTY; DISCLOSURES.

- Subdivision 1. **Disclosures required.** (a) In addition to the disclosures required under sections 513.52 to 513.61, an investor seller must deliver to a prospective purchaser the disclosures specified under this section and instructions for cancellation as provided under section 559A.04, subdivision 2, paragraph (b).
- (b) The disclosures must be affixed to the front of any purchase agreement executed between an investor seller and a prospective purchaser. The investor seller may not enter 48.10 48.11 into a contract for deed with a prospective purchaser earlier than ten calendar days after the execution of the purchase agreement by all parties and provision by the investor seller of 48.12 the disclosures required under this section and instructions for cancellation as required under 48.13 section 559A.04, subdivision 2, paragraph (b). 48.14
  - (c) If there is no purchase agreement, an investor seller must provide the disclosures required under this section to the prospective purchaser no less than ten calendar days before the prospective purchaser executes the contract for deed. The disclosures must be provided in a document separate from the contract for deed. The investor seller may not enter into a contract for deed with a prospective purchaser earlier than ten calendar days after providing the disclosures to the prospective purchaser.
- (d) The first page of the disclosures must contain the disclosures required in subdivisions 48.21 2, 3, and 4 of this section, in that order. The title must be centered, be in bold, capitalized, 48.22 and underlined 20-point type, and read "IMPORTANT INFORMATION YOU NEED TO 48.23 KNOW." The disclosures required under subdivisions 5 and 6 must follow in subsequent 48.24 48.25 pages in that order.
- (e) The investor seller must acknowledge delivery, and the purchaser must acknowledge 48.26 receipt, of the disclosures by signing and dating the disclosures. The acknowledged 48.27 disclosures shall constitute prima facie evidence that the disclosures have been provided as 48.28 required by this section. 48.29
- Subd. 2. Disclosure of balloon payment. (a) The investor seller must disclose the 48.30 amount and due date of, if any, all balloon payments. For purposes of disclosure of a balloon 48.3148.32 payment, the investor seller may assume that all prior scheduled payments were timely

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one must be lis	sted separately.	
(b) The disc	closure must be in the fo	ollowing form, with the title in 14-point type and the
text in 12-poin	t type:	
	<u>"BAL</u>	LOON PAYMENT
This contra	ct contains a lump-sum	balloon payment or several balloon payments. When
the final balloc	on payment comes due,	you may need to get mortgage or other financing to
pay it off (or y	ou will have to sell the J	property). Even if you are able to sell the property,
you may not ge	et back all the money yo	ou paid for it.
If you can't	come up with this large	e amount - even if you have made all your monthly
payments - the	seller can cancel the co	ontract.
Amount of Ba	alloon Payment	When Balloon Payment is Due
\$ (amount)		(month, year)"
<u>Subd. 3.</u> <b>Di</b>	sclosure of price paid	by investor seller to acquire property. (a) The
investor seller	must disclose to the pur	rchaser the purchase price and the date of earliest
acquisition of t	the property by the inve	estor seller, unless the acquisition occurs more than
two years prior	r to the execution of the	contract for deed.
(b) The disc	closure must be in the fo	ollowing form, with the title in 14-point type and the
text in 12-poin	t type:	
"INVESTO	OR SELLER'S PRICE	TO BUY HOUSE BEING SOLD TO BUYER
<b>Date Inves</b>	tor Seller Acquired Pr	roperty:
(date seller	acquired ownership)	
Price Paid	by Investor Seller to A	Acquire the Property:
\$ (total pur	chase price paid by selle	er to acquire ownership)
Contract f	or Deed Purchase Pric	ee:
\$ (total sale	e price to the purchaser	under the contract)"
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(1) is owned or controlled, in whole or in part, by the investor seller; 50.1 (2) owns or controls, in whole or in part, the investor seller; 50.2 (3) is under common ownership or control, in whole or in part, with the investor seller; 50.3 (4) is a spouse, parent, child, sibling, grandparent, grandchild, uncle, aunt, niece, nephew, 50.4 or cousin of the investor seller, or of the natural person who owns or controls, in whole or 50.5 in part, the investor seller; or 50.6 50.7 (5) is an entity owned or controlled, in whole or in part, by a person who is a spouse, parent, child, sibling, grandparent, grandchild, uncle, aunt, niece, nephew, or cousin of the 50.8 investor seller, or of the natural person who owns or controls, in whole or in part, the investor 50.9 seller. 50.10 Subd. 4. Disclosure of other essential terms. (a) An investor seller must disclose to 50.11 the prospective purchaser the purchase price, the annual interest rate, the amount of any 50.12 down payment, and whether the purchaser is responsible for any or all of the following: 50.13 paying property taxes, acquiring homeowner's insurance, making repairs, and maintaining 50.14 50.15 the property. (b) The disclosure must be in the following form, with the title in 14-point type and the 50.16 text in 12-point type: 50.17 50.18 "COSTS AND ESSENTIAL TERMS 1. Purchase Price: \$ (price) 50.19 2. Annual Interest Rate: (interest rate) % 50.20 50.21 3. Down payment: \$ (down payment) 4. Monthly/Period Installments: 50.22 \$ (amount of installment payment) 50.23 5. Taxes, Homeowner's Insurance, Repairs and Maintenance: You (seller must circle one): 50.24 (a) DO DO NOT 50.25 have to pay property taxes have to pay homeowner's 50.26 (b) DO DO NOT insurance 50.27 responsible for repairs and 50.28 ARE NOT maintenance." 50.29 (c) ARE Subd. 5. General disclosure. (a) An investor seller must provide the prospective 50.30 purchaser with a general disclosure about contracts for deeds as provided in this subdivision. 50.31

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(b) The disclosure must be in the following form, with the title in 18-point type, the titles 51.1 of the sections in 14-point type and underlined, and the text of each section in 12-point type, 51.2 51.3 with a double space between each section: "KNOW WHAT YOU ARE GETTING INTO BEFORE YOU SIGN 51.4 51.5 1. How Contracts for Deed Work A contract for deed is a complicated legal arrangement. Be sure you know exactly what 51.6 51.7 you are getting into before you sign a contract for deed. A contract for deed is NOT a mortgage. Minnesota's foreclosure protections do **NOT** apply. 51.8 You should get advice from a lawyer or the Minnesota Homeownership Center 51.9 before you sign the contract. You can contact the Homeownership Center at 51.10 1-(866)-462-6466 or go to www.hocmn.org. 51.11 51.12 2. What If I Can't Make My Payments? If you don't make your monthly installment payment or the balloon payment, the seller 51.13 51.14 can cancel the contract in only 120 days from the date you missed the payment. If the contract is cancelled, you lose your home and all the money you have paid, including 51.15 any down payment, all the monthly payments, and any improvements to the property 51.16 you have made. 51.17 If the contract contains a final lump-sum "balloon payment," you will need to get a 51.18 mortgage or other financing to pay it off (or you will have to sell the property). If you 51.19 can't come up with this large amount - even if you have made all your monthly payments 51.20 - the seller can cancel the contract. Even if you are able to sell the property, you may not 51.21 get back all the money you have paid for it. 51.22 3. BEFORE YOU SIGN, YOU SHOULD: 51.23 A. Get an Independent, Professional Appraisal of the property to learn what it's worth 51.24 51.25 and make sure you are not overpaying for the house. B. Get an Independent, Professional Inspection of the property because you will 51.26 probably be responsible for maintaining and making repairs on the house. 51.27 C. Buy Title Insurance from a title insurance company or ask a lawyer for a "title 51.28 opinion" to address or minimize potential title problems. 51.29

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A. Waiting Period After Getting Disclosures There is a 10 calendar day waiting peri
after you get these disclosures. The contract for deed cannot be signed by you or the sel
during that 10 calendar day period.
B. Cancelling a Purchase Agreement You have 10 calendar days after you get thes
disclosures to cancel your purchase agreement and get back any money you paid."
Subd. 6. Amortization schedule. In a document separate from all others, an investo
seller must provide to the prospective purchaser an amortization schedule consistent wit
the contract for deed, including the portion of each installment payment that will be appli
to interest and to principal and the amount and due date of any balloon payments.
Subd. 7. Disclosures in other languages. If the contract was advertised or primarily
negotiated with the purchaser in a language other than English, the investor seller must
provide the disclosures required in this section in the language in which the contract wa
advertised or primarily negotiated.
Subd. 8. No waiver. The provisions of this section may not be waived.
Subd. 9. Effects of violation. Except as provided in section 559A.05, subdivision 2,
violation of this section has no effect on the validity of the contract for deed.
<b>EFFECTIVE DATE.</b> This section is effective August 1, 2024, and applies to contract
for deed executed by all parties on or after that date.
Sec. 45. [559A.04] CONTRACTS FOR DEED INVOLVING INVESTOR SELLEI
AND RESIDENTIAL REAL PROPERTY; RIGHTS AND REQUIREMENTS.
Subdivision 1. Requirement of investor seller if property subject to mortgage. A
investor may not execute a contract for deed that is subject to a mortgage with a due-on-sa
clause and not expressly assumed by the contract for deed purchaser unless the investor
seller has:
(1) procured a binding agreement with the mortgage holder whereby the holder either
consents to the sale of the property to the purchaser by contact for deed or agrees not to
exercise the holder's rights under a due-on-sale clause in the mortgage based on the contra
for deed; and
(2) in the contract:
(i) disclosed the existence of the investor seller's mortgage;
(ii) covenants that the investor seller will perform all obligations under the mortgage
and

(iii) expressly represents to the purchaser that the seller has procured the binding
agreement required under clause (1).
Subd. 2. Right to cancel purchase agreement. (a) A prospective purchaser may cance
a purchase agreement prior to the execution by all parties of the contract for deed or within
ten calendar days of receiving the disclosures required under section 559A.03, whichever
is earlier. A purchaser's execution of the contract for deed earlier than ten calendar days of
receiving the disclosures shall not excuse, constitute a waiver of, or constitute a defense by
an investor seller regarding the seller's violation of section 559A.03, subdivision 1, paragraph
(b) or (c).
(b) In addition to the disclosures required under section 559A.03, an investor seller mus
provide the prospective purchaser with notice of the person to whom, and the mailing address
to where, cancellation of the purchase agreement must be delivered or sent. Cancellation
of the purchase agreement is effective upon personal delivery or upon mailing.
(c) In the event of cancellation or if no purchase agreement has been signed and the
prospective purchaser elects not to execute the contract for deed, the investor seller may
not impose a penalty or fee and must promptly refund all payments made by the prospective
purchaser.
Subd. 3. Duty of investor seller to account. The investor seller must inform the purchaser
in a separate writing of the right to request an annual accounting. Upon reasonable writter
request by the purchaser and no more than once every calendar year, an investor seller must
provide an accounting of:
(1) all payments made pursuant to the contract for deed during the prior calendar year
with payments allocated between interest and principal;
(2) any delinquent payments;
(3) the total principal amount remaining to satisfy the contract for deed; and
(4) the anticipated amounts and due dates of all balloon payments.
Subd. 4. Churning prohibited. (a) An investor seller is prohibited from churning. There
shall be a rebuttable presumption that the investor seller has violated this subdivision if, or
or after August 1, 2024, the investor seller executes a contract for deed and, within the
previous 48 months, the investor seller either:
(1) had completed two or more termination proceedings under section 559.21 on the
same residential real property being sold by the contract for deed; or

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55.1	(4) attorney fees, not to exceed \$1,000, and costs of service incurred in connection with
55.2	the termination of the contract;
55.3	(5) unpaid utility arrears for the period prior to termination of the contract incurred by
55.4	the investor seller; and
55.5	(6) one-half of the unpaid monthly contract installment payments, exclusive of balloon
55.6	payments, that accrued prior to termination of the contract.
55.7	(c) If the purchaser disputes the amount that an investor seller claims as the refund or
55.8	an offset, the purchaser may commence an action in district court or conciliation court to
55.9	determine the amount of the refund or the offsets and recover any monies owed by the
55.10	investor seller to the purchaser. The purchaser is entitled to recover from the investor seller
55.11	any portion of the down payment that the court finds is owed to by the investor seller to the
55.12	purchaser not previously paid to the purchaser. An attorney expressly authorized by the
55.13	investor seller to receive payments in the notice of termination is designated as the attorney
55.14	who may receive service as agent for the investor seller in an action under this paragraph
55.15	in the same manner as provided in section 559.21, subdivision 8.
55.16	<b>EFFECTIVE DATE.</b> This section is effective August 1, 2024, and applies to contracts
55.17	for deed executed by all parties on or after that date.
55.18	Sec. 46. [559A.05] CONTRACTS FOR DEED INVOLVING INVESTOR SELLERS
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56.1	(7) a violation of section 559A.03, subdivision 7; or
56.2	(8) a material omission or misstatement of any of the information required to be disclosed
56.3	under section 559A.03.
56.4	Subd. 2. Remedy for violation of disclosure requirements or churning. (a)
56.5	Notwithstanding any provision in the purchase agreement or contract for deed to the contrary,
56.6	a purchaser may, within two years of the execution of the contract for deed, bring an action
56.7	for relief for a material violation of section 559A.03 or a violation of 559A.04, subdivision
56.8	4. A prevailing purchaser may rescind a contract and, in conjunction with the rescission,
56.9	may recover against the investor seller a sum equal to:
56.10	(1) all amounts paid by the purchaser under the contract for deed, including payments
56.11	to third parties, less the fair rental value of the residential real property for the period of
56.12	time the purchaser was in possession of the property;
56.13	(2) the reasonable value of any improvements to the residential real property made by
56.14	the purchaser;
56.15	(3) actual, consequential, and incidental damages; and
56.16	(4) reasonable attorneys' fees and costs.
56.17	(b) A claim for rescission and a money judgment awarded under this subdivision shall
56.18	not affect any rights or responsibilities of a successor in interest to the investor seller prior
56.19	to the filing of a lis pendens in the action in which such relief is sought, unless it is established
56.20	by clear and convincing evidence that the successor in interest had prior knowledge that
56.21	the contract for deed was executed in violation of the requirements of section 559A.03 or
56.22	559A.04, subdivision 4.
56.23	(c) A purchaser barred under paragraph (b) from making a claim against a successor in
56.24	interest to the investor seller may, within two years of the execution of the contract for deed,
56.25	bring a claim for violation of the requirements of section 559A.03 or 559A.04, subdivision
56.26	4, against the original investor seller who entered into the contract for deed and may recover
56.27	the greater of actual damages or statutory damages of \$5,000, plus reasonable attorneys'
56.28	fees and costs. The original investor seller shall have no claim for indemnification or
56.29	contribution against the successor in interest.
56.30	Subd. 3. Remedy for failure of investor seller to procure agreement with mortgage
56.31	holder. (a) If a mortgage holder commences foreclosure of its mortgage based on the sale
56.32	to a purchaser under the contract for deed and notwithstanding any provision in the purchase
56.33	agreement or contract for deed to the contrary, a purchaser may bring an action for the

57.1	failure of the investor seller to procure the agreement with the mortgage holder as required
57.2	under section 559A.04, subdivision 2. A prevailing purchaser may rescind a contract and
57.3	may recover against the investor seller a sum equal to:
57.4	(1) all amounts paid by the purchaser under the contract for deed, including payments
57.5	to third parties, less the fair rental value of the residential real property for the period of
57.6	time the purchaser was in possession of the property;
57.7	(2) the reasonable value of any improvements to the residential real property made by
57.8	the purchaser;
57.9	(3) actual, consequential, and incidental damages; and
57.10	(4) reasonable attorneys' fees and costs.
57.11	(b) An action under this subdivision may be brought at any time and is not subject to
57.12	the statute of limitations in subdivision 2, provided that, at least 30 days prior to bringing
57.13	the action, a purchaser must deliver a notice of violation to the investor seller under the
57.14	contract for deed personally or by United States mail.
57.15	(c) An investor seller may cure the violation at any time prior to entry of a final judgment
57.16	by delivering to the purchaser either evidence of the agreement with the mortgage holder
57.17	as required under section 559A.04, subdivision 2, or evidence that the mortgage holder has
57.18	abandoned foreclosure of the mortgage. If the violation is cured, the purchaser's action must
57.19	be dismissed. An investor seller is liable to the purchaser for reasonable attorneys' fees and
57.20	court costs if the seller delivers evidence of the mortgage holder's agreement or abandonment
57.21	of the foreclosure after the purchaser has commenced the action.
57.22	(d) Nothing in this subdivision shall be construed to bar or limit any other claim by a
57.23	purchaser arising from the investor seller's breach of a senior mortgage.
57.24	Subd. 4. Defense to termination. A purchaser's right to the remedy under subdivision
57.25	2 or 3 shall constitute grounds for injunctive relief under section 559.211.
57.26	Subd. 5. Effect of action on title. An action under subdivision 2 or 3 is personal to the
57.27	purchaser only, does not constitute an interest separate from the purchaser's interest in the
57.28	contract for deed, and may not be assigned except to a successor in interest.
57.29	Subd. 6. Rights cumulative. The rights and remedies provided in this section are
57.30	cumulative to, and not a limitation of, any other rights and remedies provided under law
57.31	and at equity. Nothing in this chapter shall preclude a court from construing a contract for
57.32	deed as an equitable mortgage.

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58.1	Subd. 7. Public enforcement. The attorney general has authority under section 8.31 to
58.2	investigate and prosecute violations of sections 559A.03 and 559A.04, subdivision 4.
58.3	EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective August 1, 2024, and applies to all contracts
58.4	for deed executed by all parties on or after that date.
58.5	Sec. 47. RULEMAKING.
58.6	The commissioner of commerce must adopt rules to conform with the changes made in
58.7	sections 3 and 4 with respect to investment adviser registration continuing education and
58.8	franchise fees deferral, respectively. The commissioner of commerce may use the good
58.9	cause exemption under Minnesota Statutes, section 14.388, subdivision 1, clause (3), to
58.10	amend the rule under this section, and Minnesota Statutes, section 14.386, does not apply
58.11	except as provided under Minnesota Statutes, section 14.388.
58.12	Sec. 48. REPEALER.
58.13	Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 239.791, subdivision 3, is repealed.
58.14	Sec. 49. REPEALER.
58.15	(a) Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 45.014, is repealed.
58.16	(b) Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 82B.25, is repealed.
58.17	<b>EFFECTIVE DATE.</b> Paragraph (b) is effective January 1, 2026.
58.18	Sec. 50. REPEALER.
58.19	Minnesota Statutes 2022, sections 559.201; and 559.202, are repealed.
50.20	<b>EFFECTIVE DATE.</b> This section is effective August 1, 2024.
58.20	This section is effective August 1, 2024.
58.21	Sec. 51. EFFECTIVE DATE.
58.22	This act is effective July 1, 2025.
58.23	ARTICLE 2
58.24	MONETARY AND FINANCIAL INSTITUTION POLICY
58.25	Section 1. [46A.01] DEFINITIONS.
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58.26	Subdivision 1. Terms. For the purposes of this chapter, the terms defined in this section
58.27	have the meanings given them.

59.1	Subd. 2. Authorized user. "Authorized user" means any employee, contractor, agent,
59.2	or other person who: (1) participates in a financial institution's business operations; and (2)
59.3	is authorized to access and use any of the financial institution's information systems and
59.4	data.
59.5	Subd. 3. Commissioner. "Commissioner" means the commissioner of commerce.
59.6	Subd. 4. Consumer. (a) "Consumer" means an individual who obtains or has obtained
59.7	from a financial institution a financial product or service that is used primarily for personal,
59.8	family, or household purposes, or is used by the individual's legal representative. Consumer
59.9	includes but is not limited to an individual who:
59.10	(1) applies to a financial institution for credit for personal, family, or household purposes,
59.11	regardless of whether the credit is extended;
59.12	(2) provides nonpublic personal information to a financial institution in order to obtain
59.13	a determination whether the individual qualifies for a loan used primarily for personal,
59.14	family, or household purposes, regardless of whether the loan is extended;
59.15	(3) provides nonpublic personal information to a financial institution in connection with
59.16	obtaining or seeking to obtain financial, investment, or economic advisory services, regardless
59.17	of whether the financial institution establishes a continuing advisory relationship with the
59.18	individual; or
59.19	(4) has a loan for personal, family, or household purposes in which the financial institution
59.20	has ownership or servicing rights, even if the financial institution or one or more other
59.21	institutions that hold ownership or servicing rights in conjunction with the financial institution
59.22	hires an agent to collect on the loan.
59.23	(b) Consumer does not include an individual who:
59.24	(1) is a consumer of another financial institution that uses a different financial institution
59.25	to act solely as an agent for, or provide processing or other services to, the consumer's
59.26	financial institution;
59.27	(2) designates a financial institution solely for the purposes to act as a trustee for a trust;
59.28	(3) is the beneficiary of a trust for which the financial institution serves as trustee; or
59.29	(4) is a participant or a beneficiary of an employee benefit plan that the financial
59.30	institution sponsors or for which the financial institution acts as a trustee or fiduciary.
59.31	Subd. 5. Continuing relationship. (a) "Continuing relationship" means a consumer:
59.32	(1) has a credit or investment account with a financial institution;

60.1	(2) obtains a loan from a financial institution;
60.2	(3) purchases an insurance product from a financial institution;
60.3	(4) holds an investment product through a financial institution, including but not limited
60.4	to when the financial institution acts as a custodian for securities or for assets in an individual
60.5	retirement arrangement;
60.6	(5) enters into an agreement or understanding with a financial institution whereby the
60.7	financial institution undertakes to arrange or broker a home mortgage loan, or credit to
60.8	purchase a vehicle, for the consumer;
60.9	(6) enters into a lease of personal property on a nonoperating basis with a financial
60.10	institution;
60.11	(7) obtains financial, investment, or economic advisory services from a financial
60.12	institution for a fee;
60.13	(8) becomes a financial institution's client to obtain tax preparation or credit counseling
60.14	services from the financial institution;
60.15	(9) obtains career counseling while: (i) seeking employment with a financial institution
60.16	or the finance, accounting, or audit department of any company; or (ii) employed by a
60.17	financial institution or department of any company;
60.18	(10) is obligated on an account that a financial institution purchases from another financial
60.19	institution, regardless of whether the account is in default when purchased, unless the
60.20	financial institution does not locate the consumer or attempt to collect any amount from the
60.21	consumer on the account;
60.22	(11) obtains real estate settlement services from a financial institution; or
60.23	(12) has a loan for which a financial institution owns the servicing rights.
60.24	(b) Continuing relationship does not include situations where:
60.25	(1) the consumer obtains a financial product or service from a financial institution only
60.26	in isolated transactions, including but not limited to: (i) using a financial institution's
60.27	automated teller machine to withdraw cash from an account at another financial institution;
60.28	(ii) purchasing a money order from a financial institution; (iii) cashing a check with a
60.29	financial institution; or (iv) making a wire transfer through a financial institution;
60.30	(2) a financial institution sells the consumer's loan and does not retain the rights to service
60.31	the loan;

(3) a financial institution sells the consumer airline tickets, travel insurance, or travel	ler's
checks in isolated transactions;	
(4) the consumer obtains onetime personal or real property appraisal services from	a
financial institution; or	
(5) the consumer purchases checks for a personal checking account from a financia	<u> 1</u>
institution.	
Subd. 6. Customer. "Customer" means a consumer who has a customer relationshi	<u>ip</u>
with a financial institution.	
Subd. 7. Customer information. "Customer information" means any record contain	ning
nonpublic personal information about a financial institution's customer, whether the rec	cord
is in paper, electronic, or another form, that is handled or maintained by or on behalf of	f the
inancial institution or the financial institution's affiliates.	
Subd. 8. Customer relationship. "Customer relationship" means a continuing relationship.	ship
between a consumer and a financial institution under which the financial institution provi	ides
to the consumer one or more financial products or services that are used primarily for	
personal, family, or household purposes.	
Subd. 9. Encryption. "Encryption" means the transformation of data into a format	that
results in a low probability of assigning meaning without the use of a protective proces	ss or
ey, consistent with current cryptographic standards and accompanied by appropriate	
safeguards for cryptographic key material.	
Subd. 10. Federally insured depository financial institution. "Federally insured	
lepository financial institution" means a bank, credit union, savings and loan associati	ion,
rust company, savings association, savings bank, industrial bank, or industrial loan comp	any
organized under the laws of the United States or any state of the United States, when the	<u>he</u>
bank, credit union, savings and loan association, trust company, savings association, savi	ings
bank, industrial bank, or industrial loan company has federally insured deposits.	
Subd. 11. Financial product or service. "Financial product or service" means any	
product or service that a financial holding company could offer by engaging in a finan-	cial
activity under section 4(k) of the Bank Holding Company Act of 1956, United States Co	ode,
title 12, section 1843(k). Financial product or service includes a financial institution's	
evaluation or brokerage of information that the financial institution collects in connect	ion
with a request or an application from a consumer for a financial product or service.	

62.1	Subd. 12. Financial institution. "Financial institution" means a consumer small loan
62.2	lender under section 47.60, a person owning or maintaining electronic financial terminals
62.3	under section 47.62, a trust company under chapter 48A, a loan and thrift company under
62.4	chapter 53, a currency exchange under chapter 53A, a money transmitter under chapter 53B,
62.5	a sales finance company under chapter 53C, a regulated loan lender under chapter 56, a
62.6	residential mortgage originator or servicer under chapter 58, a student loan servicer under
62.7	chapter 58B, a credit service organization under section 332.54, a debt management service
62.8	provider or person providing debt management services under chapter 332A, or a debt
62.9	settlement service provider or person providing debt settlement services under chapter 332B.
62.10	Subd. 13. Information security program. "Information security program" means the
62.11	administrative, technical, or physical safeguards a financial institution uses to access, collect,
62.12	distribute, process, protect, store, use, transmit, dispose of, or otherwise handle customer
62.13	information.
62.14	Subd. 14. Information system. "Information system" means a discrete set of electronic
62.15	information resources organized to collect, process, maintain, use, share, disseminate, or
62.16	dispose of electronic information, as well as any specialized system, including but not
62.17	limited to industrial process controls systems, telephone switching and private branch
62.18	exchange systems, and environmental controls systems, that contains customer information
62.19	or that is connected to a system that contains customer information.
62.20	Subd. 15. Multifactor authentication. "Multifactor authentication" means authentication
62.21	through verification of at least two of the following factors:
62.22	(1) knowledge factors, including but not limited to a password;
62.23	(2) possession factors, including but not limited to a token; or
62.24	(3) inherence factors, including but not limited to biometric characteristics.
62.25	Subd. 16. Nonpublic personal information. (a) "Nonpublic personal information"
62.26	means:
62.27	(1) personally identifiable financial information; or
62.28	(2) any list, description, or other grouping of consumers, including publicly available
62.29	information pertaining to the list, description, or other grouping of consumers, that is derived
62.30	using personally identifiable financial information that is not publicly available.
62.31	(b) Nonpublic personal information includes but is not limited to any list of individuals'
62.32	names and street addresses that is derived in whole or in part using personally identifiable
62.33	financial information that is not publicly available, including account numbers.

63.1	(c) Nonpublic personal information does not include:
63.2	(1) publicly available information, except as included on a list described in paragraph
63.3	(a), clause (2);
63.4	(2) any list, description, or other grouping of consumers, including publicly available
63.5	information pertaining to the list, description, or other grouping of consumers, that is derived
63.6	without using any personally identifiable financial information that is not publicly available;
63.7	<u>or</u>
63.8	(3) any list of individuals' names and addresses that contains only publicly available
63.9	information, is not derived in whole or in part using personally identifiable financial
63.10	information that is not publicly available, and is not disclosed in a manner that indicates
63.11	that any individual on the list is the financial institution's consumer.
63.12	Subd. 17. Notification event. "Notification event" means the acquisition of unencrypted
63.13	customer information without the authorization of the individual to which the information
63.14	pertains. Customer information is considered unencrypted for this purpose if the encryption
63.15	key was accessed by an unauthorized person. Unauthorized acquisition is presumed to
63.16	include unauthorized access to unencrypted customer information unless the financial
63.17	institution has reliable evidence showing that there has not been, or could not reasonably
63.18	have been, unauthorized acquisition of customer information.
63.19	Subd. 18. Penetration testing. "Penetration testing" means a test methodology in which
63.20	assessors attempt to circumvent or defeat the security features of an information system by
63.21	attempting to penetrate databases or controls from outside or inside a financial institution's
63.22	information systems.
63.23	Subd. 19. Personally identifiable financial information. (a) "Personally identifiable
63.24	financial information" means any information:
63.25	(1) a consumer provides to a financial institution to obtain a financial product or service;
63.26	(2) about a consumer resulting from any transaction involving a financial product or
63.27	service between a financial institution and a consumer; or
63.28	(3) a financial institution otherwise obtains about a consumer in connection with providing
63.29	a financial product or service to the customer.
63.30	(b) Personally identifiable financial information includes:
63.31	(1) information a consumer provides to a financial institution on an application to obtain
63.32	a loan, credit card, or other financial product or service;

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64.1	(2) account balance information, payment history, overdraft history, and credit or debit
64.2	card purchase information;
64.3	(3) the fact that an individual is or has been a financial institution's customer or has
64.4	obtained a financial product or service from the financial institution;
64.5	(4) any information about a financial institution's consumer, if the information is disclosed
64.6	in a manner that indicates that the individual is or has been the financial institution's
64.7	consumer;
64.8	(5) any information that a consumer provides to a financial institution or that a financial
64.9	institution or a financial institution's agent otherwise obtains in connection with collecting
64.10	on or servicing a credit account;
64.11	(6) any information a financial institution collects through an Internet information
64.12	collecting device from a web server; and
64.13	(7) information from a consumer report.
64.14	(c) Personally identifiable financial information does not include:
64.15	(1) a list of customer names and addresses for an entity that is not a financial institution;
64.16	<u>and</u>
64.17	(2) information that does not identify a consumer, including but not limited to aggregate
64.18	information or blind data that does not contain personal identifiers, including account
64.19	numbers, names, or addresses.
64.20	Subd. 20. Publicly available information. (a) "Publicly available information" means
64.21	any information that a financial institution has a reasonable basis to believe is lawfully made
64.22	available to the general public from:
64.23	(1) federal, state, or local government records;
64.24	(2) widely distributed media; or
64.25	(3) disclosures to the general public that are required under federal, state, or local law.
64.26	(b) Publicly available information includes but is not limited to:
64.27	(1) with respect to government records, information in government real estate records
64.28	and security interest filings; and
64.29	(2) with respect to widely distributed media, information from a telephone book, a
64.30	television or radio program, a newspaper, or a website that is available to the general public
64.31	on an unrestricted basis. A website is not restricted merely because an Internet service

provider or a site operator requires a fee or a password, provided that access is available to the general public.

(c) For purposes of this subdivision, a financial institution has a reasonable basis to believe that information is lawfully made available to the general public if the financial institution has taken steps to determine: (1) that the information is of the type that is available to the general public; and (2) whether an individual can direct that the information not be made available to the general public and, if so, that the financial institution's consumer has not directed that the information not be made available to the general public. A financial institution has a reasonable basis to believe that mortgage information is lawfully made available to the general public if the financial institution determines the information is of the type included on the public record in the jurisdiction where the mortgage would be recorded. A financial institution has a reasonable basis to believe that an individual's telephone number is lawfully made available to the general public if the financial institution has located the telephone number in the telephone book or the consumer has informed the financial institution that the telephone number is not unlisted.

Subd. 21. **Qualified individual.** "Qualified individual" means the individual designated by a financial institution to oversee, implement, and enforce the financial institution's information security program.

Subd. 22. Security event. "Security event" means an event resulting in unauthorized access to, or disruption or misuse of: (1) an information system or information stored on an information system; or (2) customer information held in physical form.

Subd. 23. Service provider. "Service provider" means any person or entity that receives, maintains, processes, or otherwise is permitted access to customer information through the service provider's provision of services directly to a financial institution that is subject to this chapter.

## Sec. 2. [46A.02] SAFEGUARDING CUSTOMER INFORMATION; STANDARDS.

Subdivision 1. **Information security program.** (a) A financial institution must develop, implement, and maintain a comprehensive information security program.

(b) The information security program must: (1) be written in one or more readily accessible parts; and (2) contain administrative, technical, and physical safeguards that are appropriate to the financial institution's size and complexity, the nature and scope of the financial institution's activities, and the sensitivity of any customer information at issue.

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66.1	(c) The information security program must include the elements set forth in section
66.2	46A.03 and must be reasonably designed to achieve the objectives of this chapter, as
66.3	established under subdivision 2.
66.4	Subd. 2. Objectives. The objectives of this chapter are to:
66.5	(1) ensure the security and confidentiality of customer information;
66.6	(2) protect against any anticipated threats or hazards to the security or integrity of
66.7	customer information; and
66.8	(3) protect against unauthorized access to or use of customer information that might result in substantial harm or inconvenience to a customer.
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66.10	Sec. 3. [46A.03] ELEMENTS.
66.11	Subdivision 1. Generally. In order to develop, implement, and maintain an information
66.12	security program, a financial institution must comply with this section.
66.13	Subd. 2. Qualified individual. (a) A financial institution must designate a qualified
66.14	individual responsible for overseeing, implementing, and enforcing the financial institution's
66.15	information security program. The qualified individual may be employed by the financial
66.16	institution, an affiliate, or a service provider.
66.17	(b) If a financial institution designates an individual employed by an affiliate or service
66.18	provider as the financial institution's qualified individual, the financial institution must:
66.19	(1) retain responsibility for complying with this chapter;
66.20	(2) designate a senior member of the financial institution's personnel to be responsible
66.21	for directing and overseeing the qualified individual's activities; and
66.22	(3) require the service provider or affiliate to maintain an information security program
66.23	that protects the financial institution in a manner that complies with the requirements of
66.24	this chapter.
66.25	Subd. 3. Security risk assessment. (a) A financial institution must base the financial
66.26	institution's information security program on a risk assessment that:
66.27	(1) identifies reasonably foreseeable internal and external risks to the security,
66.28	confidentiality, and integrity of customer information that might result in the unauthorized
66.29	disclosure, misuse, alteration, destruction, or other compromise of customer information;
66.30	<u>and</u>

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67.1	(2) assesses the sufficiency of any safeguards in place to control the risks identified
67.2	under clause (1).
67.3	(b) The risk assessment must be made in writing and must include:
67.4	(1) criteria to evaluate and categorize identified security risks or threats the financial
67.5	institution faces;
67.6	(2) criteria to assess the confidentiality, integrity, and availability of the financial
67.7	institution's information systems and customer information, including the adequacy of
67.8	existing controls in the context of the identified risks or threats the financial institution
67.9	faces; and
67.10	(3) requirements describing how:
67.11	(i) identified risks are mitigated or accepted based on the risk assessment; and
67.12	(ii) the information security program addresses the risks.
67.13	(c) A financial institution must periodically perform additional risk assessments that:
67.14	(1) reexamine the reasonably foreseeable internal and external risks to the security,
67.15	confidentiality, and integrity of customer information that might result in the unauthorized
67.16	disclosure, misuse, alteration, destruction, or other compromise of customer information;
67.17	<u>and</u>
67.18	(2) reassess the sufficiency of any safeguards in place to control the risks identified
67.19	under clause (1).
67.20	Subd. 4. Risk control. A financial institution must design and implement safeguards to
67.21	control the risks the financial institution identifies through the risk assessment under
67.22	subdivision 3, including by:
67.23	(1) implementing and periodically reviewing access controls, including technical and,
67.24	as appropriate, physical controls to:
67.25	(i) authenticate and permit access only to authorized users to protect against the
67.26	unauthorized acquisition of customer information; and
67.27	(ii) limit an authorized user's access to only customer information that the authorized
67.28	user needs to perform the authorized user's duties and functions or, in the case of a customer,
67.29	to limit access to the customer's own information;
67.30	(2) identifying and managing the data, personnel, devices, systems, and facilities that
67.31	enable the financial institution to achieve business purposes in accordance with the business

purpose's relative importance to business objectives and the financial institution's risk
strategy;
(3) protecting by encryption all customer information held or transmitted by the financia
institution both in transit over external networks and at rest. To the extent a financial
institution determines that encryption of customer information either in transit over externa
networks or at rest is infeasible, the financial institution may secure the customer information
using effective alternative compensating controls that have been reviewed and approved by
the financial institution's qualified individual;
(4) adopting: (i) secure development practices for in-house developed applications
utilized by the financial institution to transmit, access, or store customer information; and
(ii) procedures to evaluate, assess, or test the security of externally developed application
the financial institution uses to transmit, access, or store customer information;
(5) implementing multifactor authentication for any individual that accesses any
information system, unless the financial institution's qualified individual has approved in
writing the use of a reasonably equivalent or more secure access control;
(6) developing, implementing, and maintaining procedures to securely dispose of
customer information in any format no later than two years after the last date the information
is used in connection with providing a product or service to the customer which relates,
unless the information is necessary for business operations or for other legitimate busines
purposes, is otherwise required to be retained by law or regulation, or if targeted disposal
is not reasonably feasible due to the manner in which the information is maintained;
(7) periodically reviewing the financial institution's data retention policy to minimize
the unnecessary retention of data;
(8) adopting procedures for change management; and
(9) implementing policies, procedures, and controls designed to: (i) monitor and log the
activity of authorized users; and (ii) detect unauthorized access to, use of, or tampering with
customer information by authorized users.
Subd. 5. Testing and monitoring. (a) A financial institution must regularly test or
otherwise monitor the effectiveness of the safeguards' key controls, systems, and procedures
including the controls, systems, and procedures that detect actual and attempted attacks or
or intrusions into, information systems.
(b) For information systems, monitoring and testing must include continuous monitoring
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69.1	monitoring of other systems to detect on an ongoing basis any changes in information
59.2	systems that may create vulnerabilities, a financial institution must conduct:
59.3	(1) annual penetration testing of the financial institution's information systems, based
59.4	on relevant identified risks in accordance with the risk assessment; and
59.5	(2) vulnerability assessments, including systemic scans or information systems reviews
69.6	that are reasonably designed to identify publicly known security vulnerabilities in the
59.7	financial institution's information systems based on the risk assessment, at least every six
59.8	months, whenever a material change to the financial institution's operations or business
59.9	arrangements occurs, and whenever the financial institution knows or has reason to know
59.10	circumstances exist that may have a material impact on the financial institution's information
59.11	security program.
59.12	Subd. 6. Internal policies and procedures. A financial institution must implement
59.13	policies and procedures to ensure that the financial institution's personnel are able to enac
59.14	the financial institution's information security program by:
59.15	(1) providing the financial institution's personnel with security awareness training that
59.16	is updated as necessary to reflect risks identified by the risk assessment;
59.17	(2) utilizing qualified information security personnel employed by the financial institution
59.18	an affiliate, or a service provider sufficient to manage the financial institution's information
59.19	security risks and to perform or oversee the information security program;
59.20	(3) providing information security personnel with security updates and training sufficien
59.21	to address relevant security risks; and
59.22	(4) verifying that key information security personnel take steps to maintain current
59.23	knowledge of changing information security threats and countermeasures.
59.24	Subd. 7. <b>Provider oversight.</b> A financial institution must oversee service providers by
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59.25	(1) taking reasonable steps to select and retain service providers that are capable of
59.26	maintaining appropriate safeguards for the customer information at issue;
59.27	(2) requiring by contract the financial institution's service providers to implement and
59.28	maintain appropriate safeguards; and
59.29	(3) periodically assessing the financial institution's service providers based on the risk
59.30	the service providers present and the continued adequacy of the service providers' safeguards
59.31	Subd. 8. Information security program; evaluation; adjustment. A financial institution
59.32	must evaluate and adjust the financial institution's information security program to reflect

70.1	(1) the results of the testing and monitoring required under subdivision 5; (2) any material
70.2	changes to the financial institution's operations or business arrangements; (3) the results of
70.3	risk assessments performed under subdivision 3, paragraph (c); or (4) any other circumstances
70.4	that the financial institution knows or has reason to know may have a material impact on
70.5	the financial institution's information security program.
70.6	Subd. 9. Incident response plan. A financial institution must establish a written incident
70.7	response plan designed to promptly respond to and recover from any security event materially
70.8	affecting the confidentiality, integrity, or availability of customer information the financial
70.9	institution controls. An incident response plan must address:
70.10	(1) the goals of the incident response plan;
70.11	(2) the internal processes to respond to a security event;
70.12	(3) clear roles, responsibilities, and levels of decision making authority;
70.13	(4) external and internal communications and information sharing;
70.14	(5) requirements to remediate any identified weaknesses in information systems and
70.15	associated controls;
70.16	(6) documentation and reporting regarding security events and related incident response
70.17	activities; and
70.18	(7) evaluation and revision of the incident response plan as necessary after a security
70.19	event.
70.20	Subd. 10. Annual report. (a) A financial institution must require the financial institution's
70.21	qualified individual to report at least annually in writing to the financial institution's board
70.22	of directors or equivalent governing body. If a board of directors or equivalent governing
70.23	body does not exist, the report under this subdivision must be timely presented to a senior
70.24	officer responsible for the financial institution's information security program.
70.25	(b) The report made under this subdivision must include the following information:
70.26	(1) the overall status of the financial institution's information security program, including
70.27	compliance with this chapter and associated administrative rules; and
70.28	(2) material matters related to the financial institution's information security program,
70.29	including but not limited to addressing issues pertaining to: (i) the risk assessment; (ii) risk
70.30	management and control decisions; (iii) service provider arrangements; (iv) testing results;
70.31	(v) security events or violations and management's responses to the security event or
70.32	violation; and (vi) recommendations for changes in the information security program.

71.1 Subd. 11. Business continuity; disaster recovery. A financial institution must establish a written plan addressing business continuity and disaster recovery. 71.2 Sec. 4. [46A.04] EXCEPTIONS AND EXEMPTIONS. 71.3 (a) The requirements under section 46A.03, subdivisions 3; 5, paragraph (a); 9; and 10, 71.4 do not apply to financial institutions that maintain customer information concerning fewer 71.5 than five thousand consumers. 71.6 71.7 (b) This chapter does not apply to credit unions or federally insured depository institutions. 71.8 Sec. 5. [46A.05] ALTERATION OF FEDERAL REGULATION. 71.9 (a) If an amendment to Code of Federal Regulations, title 16, part 314, results in a 71.10 complete lack of federal regulations in the area, the version of the state requirements in 71.11 effect at the time of the amendment remain in effect for two years from the date the 71.12 amendment becomes effective. 71.13 71.14 (b) During the time period under paragraph (a), the department must adopt replacement administrative rules as necessary and appropriate. 71.15 Sec. 6. [46A.06] NOTIFICATION EVENT. 71.16 Subdivision 1. Notification requirement. (a) Upon discovering a notification event as 71.17 described in subdivision 2, if the notification event involves the information of at least 500 71.18 consumers, a financial institution must notify the commissioner as soon as possible, but no 71.19 later than 30 days after the date the event is discovered. The notice must be made (1) in a 71.20 71.21 format specified by the commissioner, and (2) electronically on a form located on the department's website. 71.22 71.23 (b) The notice must include: (1) the name and contact information of the reporting financial institution; 71.24 (2) a description of the types of information involved in the notification event; 71.25 (3) if possible to determine, the date or date range of the notification event; 71.26 (4) the number of consumers affected or potentially affected by the notification event; 71.27 71.28 (5) a general description of the notification event; and (6) a statement (i) disclosing whether a law enforcement official has provided the financial 71.29 institution with a written determination indicating that providing notice to the public regarding 71.30

2.1	the breach would impede a criminal investigation or cause damage to national security, and
2.2	(ii) if a written determination described under item (i) was provided to the financial
2.3	institution, providing contact information that enables the commissioner to contact the law
2.4	enforcement official. A law enforcement official may request an initial delay of up to 30
2.5	days following the date that notice was provided to the commissioner. The delay may be
2.6	extended for an additional period of up to 60 days if the law enforcement official seeks an
2.7	extension in writing. An additional delay may be permitted only if the commissioner
2.8	determines that public disclosure of a security event continues to impede a criminal
2.9	investigation or cause damage to national security.
2.10	Subd. 2. <b>Notification event treated as discovered.</b> A notification event must be treated
2.11	as discovered on the first day when the event is known to a financial institution. A financial
2.12	institution is deemed to have knowledge of a notification event if the event is known to any
2.13	person, other than the person committing the breach, who is the financial institution's
2.14	employee, officer, or other agent.
2.15	Sec. 7. [46A.07] COMMISSIONER'S POWERS.
2.16	(a) The commissioner has the power to examine and investigate the affairs of any covered
2.17	financial institution to determine whether the financial institution has been or is engaged in
2.18	any conduct that violates this chapter. This power is in addition to the powers granted to
2.19	the commissioner under section 46.01.
2.20	(b) If the commissioner has reason to believe that a financial institution has been or is
2.21	engaged in conduct in Minnesota that violates this chapter, the commissioner may take
2.22	action necessary or appropriate to enforce this chapter.
2.23	Sec. 8. [46A.08] CONFIDENTIALITY.
2.24	Subdivision 1. Financial institution information. (a) Any documents, materials, or
2.25	other information in the control or possession of the department that are furnished by a
2.26	licensee or a licensee's employee or agent acting on behalf of a financial institution pursuant
2.27	to section 46A.06 or that are obtained by the commissioner in an investigation or examination
2.28	pursuant to section 46A.07: (1) are classified as confidential, protected nonpublic, or both;
2.29	(2) are not subject to subpoena; and (3) are not subject to discovery or admissible in evidence
2.30	in any private civil action.
2.31	(b) Notwithstanding paragraph (a), clauses (1) to (3), the commissioner is authorized to
2.32	use the documents, materials, or other information in the furtherance of any regulatory or
2.33	legal action brought as a part of the commissioner's duties.

73.1	Subd. 2. Certain testimony prohibited. Neither the commissioner nor any person who
73.2	received documents, materials, or other information while acting under the authority of the
73.3	commissioner is permitted or required to testify in a private civil action concerning
73.4	confidential documents, materials, or information subject to subdivision 1.
73.5	Subd. 3. Information sharing. In order to assist in the performance of the commissioner's
73.6	duties under sections 46A.01 to 46A.08, the commissioner may:
73.7	(1) share documents, materials, or other information, including the confidential and
73.8	privileged documents, materials, or information subject to subdivision 1, with other state,
73.9	federal, and international regulatory agencies, with the Conference of State Bank Supervisors,
73.10	the Conference of State Bank Supervisors' affiliates or subsidiaries, and with state, federal,
73.11	and international law enforcement authorities, provided that the recipient agrees in writing
73.12	to maintain the confidentiality and privileged status of the document, material, or other
73.13	information;
73.14	(2) receive documents, materials, or information, including otherwise confidential and
73.15	privileged documents, materials, or information, from the Conference of State Bank
73.16	Supervisors, the Conference of State Bank Supervisors' affiliates or subsidiaries, and from
73.17	regulatory and law enforcement officials of other foreign or domestic jurisdictions, and
73.18	must maintain as confidential or privileged any document, material, or information received
73.19	with notice or the understanding that the document, material, or information is confidential
73.20	or privileged under the laws of the jurisdiction that is the source of the document, material,
73.21	or information;
73.22	(3) share documents, materials, or other information subject to subdivision 1 with a
73.23	third-party consultant or vendor, provided the consultant agrees in writing to maintain the
73.24	confidentiality and privileged status of the document, material, or other information; and
73.25	(4) enter into agreements governing the sharing and use of information that are consistent
73.26	with this subdivision.
73.27	Subd. 5. Certain actions public. Nothing in sections 46A.01 to 46A.08 prohibits the
73.28	commissioner from releasing final, adjudicated actions that are open to public inspection
73.29	pursuant to chapter 13 to a database or other clearinghouse service maintained by the
73.30	Conference of State Bank Supervisors, the Conference of State Bank Supervisors' affiliates,
73.31	or the Conference of State Bank Supervisors' subsidiaries.

Sec. 9. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 47.20, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

- Subd. 2. **Definitions.** For the purposes of this section the terms defined in this subdivision have the meanings given them:
- (1) "Actual closing costs" mean reasonable charges for or sums paid for the following, whether or not retained by the mortgagee or lender:
- (a) Any insurance premiums including but not limited to premiums for title insurance, fire and extended coverage insurance, flood insurance, and private mortgage insurance, but excluding any charges or sums retained by the mortgagee or lender as self-insured retention.
  - (b) Abstracting, title examination and search, and examination of public records.
- (c) The preparation and recording of any or all documents required by law or custom for closing a conventional or cooperative apartment loan.
  - (d) Appraisal and survey of real property securing a conventional loan or real property owned by a cooperative apartment corporation of which a share or shares of stock or a membership certificate or certificates are to secure a cooperative apartment loan.
- (e) A single service charge, which includes any consideration, not otherwise specified herein as an "actual closing cost" paid by the borrower and received and retained by the lender for or related to the acquisition, making, refinancing or modification of a conventional or cooperative apartment loan, and also includes any consideration received by the lender for making a borrower's interest rate commitment or for making a borrower's loan commitment, whether or not an actual loan follows the commitment. The term service charge does not include forward commitment fees. The service charge shall not exceed one percent of the original bona fide principal amount of the conventional or cooperative apartment loan, except that in the case of a construction loan, the service charge shall not exceed two percent of the original bona fide principal amount of the loan. That portion of the service charge imposed because the loan is a construction loan shall be itemized and a copy of the itemization furnished the borrower. A lender shall not collect from a borrower the additional one percent service charge permitted for a construction loan if it does not perform the service for which the charge is imposed or if third parties perform and charge the borrower for the service for which the lender has imposed the charge.
- (f) Charges and fees necessary for or related to the transfer of real or personal property securing a conventional or cooperative apartment loan or the closing of a conventional or cooperative apartment loan paid by the borrower and received by any party other than the lender.

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(2) "Contract for deed" means an executory contract for the conveyance of real estate, the original principal amount of which is less than \$300,000. A commitment for a contract for deed shall include an executed purchase agreement or earnest money contract wherein the seller agrees to finance any part or all of the purchase price by a contract for deed.

- (3) "Conventional loan" means a loan or advance of credit, other than a loan or advance of credit made by a credit union or made pursuant to section 334.011, to a noncorporate borrower in an original principal amount of less than \$100,000 or equal to the conforming loan limit established by the Federal Housing Finance Agency under the Housing and Recovery Act of 2018, Public Law 110-289, secured by a mortgage upon real property containing one or more residential units or upon which at the time the loan is made it is intended that one or more residential units are to be constructed, and which is not insured or guaranteed by the secretary of housing and urban development, by the administrator of veterans affairs, or by the administrator of the Farmers Home Administration, and which is not made pursuant to the authority granted in subdivision 1, clause (3) or (4). The term mortgage does not include contracts for deed or installment land contracts.
- (4) "Cooperative apartment loan" means a loan or advance of credit, other than a loan or advance of credit made by a credit union or made pursuant to section 334.011, to a noncorporate borrower in an original principal amount of less than \$100,000, secured by a security interest on a share or shares of stock or a membership certificate or certificates issued to a stockholder or member by a cooperative apartment corporation, which may be accompanied by an assignment by way of security of the borrower's interest in the proprietary lease or occupancy agreement in property issued by the cooperative apartment corporation and which is not insured or guaranteed by the secretary of housing and urban development, by the administrator of veterans affairs, or by the administrator of the Farmers Home Administration.
- (5) "Cooperative apartment corporation" means a corporation or cooperative organized under chapter 308A or 317A, the shareholders or members of which are entitled, solely by reason of their ownership of stock or membership certificates in the corporation or association, to occupy one or more residential units in a building owned or leased by the corporation or association.
- (6) "Forward commitment fee" means a fee or other consideration paid to a lender for the purpose of securing a binding forward commitment by or through the lender to make conventional loans to two or more credit worthy purchasers, including future purchasers, of residential units, or a fee or other consideration paid to a lender for the purpose of securing a binding forward commitment by or through the lender to make conventional loans to two

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or more credit worthy purchasers, including future purchasers, of units to be created out of existing structures pursuant to chapter 515B, or a fee or other consideration paid to a lender for the purpose of securing a binding forward commitment by or through the lender to make cooperative apartment loans to two or more credit worthy purchasers, including future purchasers, of a share or shares of stock or a membership certificate or certificates in a cooperative apartment corporation; provided, that the forward commitment rate of interest does not exceed the maximum lawful rate of interest effective as of the date the forward commitment is issued by the lender.

- (7) "Borrower's interest rate commitment" means a binding commitment made by a lender to a borrower wherein the lender agrees that, if a conventional or cooperative apartment loan is made following issuance of and pursuant to the commitment, the conventional or cooperative apartment loan shall be made at a rate of interest not in excess of the rate of interest agreed to in the commitment, provided that the rate of interest agreed to in the commitment is not in excess of the maximum lawful rate of interest effective as of the date the commitment is issued by the lender to the borrower.
- (8) "Borrower's loan commitment" means a binding commitment made by a lender to a borrower wherein the lender agrees to make a conventional or cooperative apartment loan pursuant to the provisions, including the interest rate, of the commitment, provided that the commitment rate of interest does not exceed the maximum lawful rate of interest effective as of the date the commitment is issued and the commitment when issued and agreed to shall constitute a legally binding obligation on the part of the mortgagee or lender to make a conventional or cooperative apartment loan within a specified time period in the future at a rate of interest not exceeding the maximum lawful rate of interest effective as of the date the commitment is issued by the lender to the borrower; provided that a lender who issues a borrower's loan commitment pursuant to the provisions of a forward commitment is authorized to issue the borrower's loan commitment at a rate of interest not to exceed the maximum lawful rate of interest effective as of the date the forward commitment is issued by the lender.
- (9) "Finance charge" means the total cost of a conventional or cooperative apartment loan including extensions or grant of credit regardless of the characterization of the same and includes interest, finders fees, and other charges levied by a lender directly or indirectly against the person obtaining the conventional or cooperative apartment loan or against a seller of real property securing a conventional loan or a seller of a share or shares of stock or a membership certificate or certificates in a cooperative apartment corporation securing a cooperative apartment loan, or any other party to the transaction except any actual closing

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costs and any forward commitment fee. The finance charges plus the actual closing costs and any forward commitment fee, charged by a lender shall include all charges made by a lender other than the principal of the conventional or cooperative apartment loan. The finance charge, with respect to wraparound mortgages, shall be computed based upon the face amount of the wraparound mortgage note, which face amount shall consist of the aggregate of those funds actually advanced by the wraparound lender and the total outstanding principal balances of the prior note or notes which have been made a part of the wraparound mortgage note.

- (10) "Lender" means any person making a conventional or cooperative apartment loan, or any person arranging financing for a conventional or cooperative apartment loan. The term also includes the holder or assignee at any time of a conventional or cooperative apartment loan.
- (11) "Loan yield" means the annual rate of return obtained by a lender over the term of a conventional or cooperative apartment loan and shall be computed as the annual percentage rate as computed in accordance with sections 226.5 (b), (c), and (d) of Regulation Z, Code of Federal Regulations, title 12, part 226, but using the definition of finance charge provided for in this subdivision. For purposes of this section, with respect to wraparound mortgages, the rate of interest or loan yield shall be based upon the principal balance set forth in the wraparound note and mortgage and shall not include any interest differential or yield differential between the stated interest rate on the wraparound mortgage and the stated interest rate on the one or more prior mortgages included in the stated loan amount on a wraparound note and mortgage.
- 77.23 (12) "Person" means an individual, corporation, business trust, partnership or association 77.24 or any other legal entity.
  - (13) "Residential unit" means any structure used principally for residential purposes or any portion thereof, and includes a unit in a common interest community, a nonowner occupied residence, and any other type of residence regardless of whether the unit is used as a principal residence, secondary residence, vacation residence, or residence of some other denomination.
  - (14) "Vendor" means any person or persons who agree to sell real estate and finance any part or all of the purchase price by a contract for deed. The term also includes the holder or assignee at any time of the vendor's interest in a contract for deed.

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Sec. 10. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 47.54, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **Approval order.** (a) If no objection is received by the commissioner within 15 days after the publication of the notice, the commissioner shall issue an order must provide written consent approving the application without a hearing if it is found the commissioner finds that (a): (1) the applicant bank meets current industry standards of capital adequacy, management quality, and asset condition, (b); (2) the establishment of the proposed detached facility will improve improves the quality or increase the availability of banking services in the community to be served; and (e) (3) the establishment of the proposed detached facility will does not have an undue adverse effect upon the solvency of existing financial institutions in the community to be served.

Otherwise, (b) The commissioner shall must deny the an application that does not meet the criteria under paragraph (a), clauses (1) to (3).

- (c) Any proceedings for judicial review of an order of written consent provided by the commissioner issued under this subdivision without a contested case hearing shall be conducted pursuant to the provisions of the Administrative Procedure Act relating to judicial review of agency decisions, sections 14.63 to 14.69, and the scope of judicial review in such proceedings shall be as provided therein. Nothing herein shall be construed as requiring the commissioner to conduct a contested case hearing if no written objection is timely received by the commissioner from a bank within three miles of the proposed location of the detached facility.
- Sec. 11. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 47.54, subdivision 6, is amended to read:
  - Subd. 6. Expiration and extension of order approval. If a facility is not activated within 18 months from the date of the order approval is granted under subdivision 2, the approval order automatically expires. Upon a request of made by the applicant prior to before the automatic expiration date of the order approval expires, the commissioner may grant reasonable extensions of time to the applicant to activate the facility as the commissioner deems necessary. The extensions of time shall not exceed a total of an additional 12 months. If the commissioner's order approval is the subject of an appeal in accordance with chapter 14, the time period referred to in this section for activation of to activate the facility and any extensions shall begin begins when all appeals or rights of appeal from the commissioner's order approval have concluded or expired.

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Sec. 12. Minnesota Statutes 2023 Supplement, section 47.59, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. Application. (a) Extensions of credit or purchases of extensions of credit by financial institutions under sections 47.20, 47.21, 47.201, 47.204, 47.58, 48.153, 48.185, 48.195, 59A.01 to 59A.15, 334.01, 334.011, 334.012, 334.022, 334.06, and 334.061 to 334.19 may, but need not, be made according to those sections in lieu of the authority set forth in this section to the extent those sections authorize the financial institution to make extensions of credit or purchase extensions of credit under those sections. If a financial institution elects to make an extension of credit or to purchase an extension of credit under those other sections, the extension of credit or the purchase of an extension of credit is subject to those sections and not this section, except this subdivision, and except as expressly provided in those sections. A financial institution may also charge an organization a rate of interest and any charges agreed to by the organization and may calculate and collect finance and other charges in any manner agreed to by that organization. Except for extensions of credit a financial institution elects to make under section 334.01, 334.011, 334.012, 334.022, 334.06, or 334.061 to 334.19, chapter 334 does not apply to extensions of credit made according to this section or the sections listed in this subdivision. This subdivision does not authorize a financial institution to extend credit or purchase an extension of credit under any of the sections listed in this subdivision if the financial institution is not authorized to do so under those sections. A financial institution extending credit under any of the sections listed in this subdivision shall specify in the promissory note, contract, or other loan document the section under which the extension of credit is made.

(b) In accordance with section 525 of the federal Depository Institutions Deregulation and Monetary Control Act of 1980, Public Law 96-221, the legislature declares that the state of Minnesota does not want the amendments to the Federal Deposit Insurance Act, United States Code, title 12, section 1811, et seq., the federal National Housing Act, United States Code, title 12, section 1701, et seq., and the Federal Credit Union Act, United States Code, title 12, section 1751, et seq., made by sections 521 to 523 of the federal Depository Institutions Deregulation and Monetary Control Act of 1980, Public Law 96-221, prescribing interest rates and preempting state interest rates to apply to consumer loans made in Minnesota. Consumer loans made in Minnesota are subject to the rates established in this section and as otherwise provided by the laws of Minnesota.

(c) A consumer loan is deemed to be made in Minnesota and is subject to this section and other applicable laws of Minnesota if the borrower is a Minnesota resident and the

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borrower completes the transaction, either personally or electronically, while physically located in Minnesota.

- Sec. 13. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 47.59, subdivision 3, is amended to read:
- Subd. 3. **Finance charge for loans.** (a) With respect to a loan, including a loan pursuant to open-end credit but excluding open-end credit pursuant to a credit card, a financial institution may contract for and receive a finance charge on the unpaid balance of the principal amount not to exceed the greater of:
- (1) an annual percentage rate not exceeding 21.75 percent; or
- 80.9 (2) the total of:

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- 80.10 (i) 33 percent per year on that part of the unpaid balance of the principal amount not exceeding \$1,350; and
- 80.12 (ii) 19 percent per year on that part of the unpaid balance of the principal amount exceeding \$1,350.
  - With respect to open-end credit pursuant to a credit card, the financial institution may contract for and receive a finance charge on the unpaid balance of the principal amount at an annual percentage rate not exceeding 18 percent per year or, if the financial institution is an out-of-state bank, as defined in section 48.92, or out-of-state credit union, as defined in section 52.001, the rate allowed by the financial institution's home state, if that rate exceeds 18 percent per year.
  - (b) On a loan where the finance charge is calculated according to the method provided for in paragraph (a), clause (2), the finance charge must be contracted for and earned as provided in that provision or at the single annual percentage rate computed to the nearest one-tenth of one percent that would earn the same total finance charge at maturity of the contract as would be earned by the application of the graduated rates provided in paragraph (a), clause (2), when the debt is paid according to the agreed terms and the calculations are made according to the actuarial method.
  - (c) With respect to a loan, the finance charge must be considered not to exceed the maximum annual percentage rate permitted under this section if the finance charge contracted for and received does not exceed the equivalent of the maximum annual percentage rate calculated in accordance with Code of Federal Regulations, title 12, part 226, but using the definition of finance charge provided in this section.

(d) This subdivision does not limit or restrict the manner of calculating the finance charge, whether by way of add-on, discount, discount points, precomputed charges, single annual percentage rate, variable rate, interest in advance, compounding, average daily balance method, or otherwise, if the annual percentage rate does not exceed that permitted by this section. Discount points permitted by this paragraph and not collected but included in the principal amount must not be included in the amount on which credit insurance premiums are calculated and charged.

- (e) With respect to a loan secured by real estate, if a finance charge is calculated or collected in advance, or included in the principal amount of the loan, and the borrower prepays the loan in full, the financial institution shall credit the borrower with a refund of the charge to the extent that the annual percentage rate yield on the loan would exceed the maximum rate permitted under paragraph (a), taking into account the prepayment. The refund need not be made if it would be less than \$9.00.
- (f) With respect to all other loans, if the finance charge is calculated or collected in advance, or included in the principal amount of the loan, and the borrower prepays the loan in full, the financial institution shall credit the borrower with a refund of the charge to the extent the annual percentage rate yield on the loan would exceed the annual percentage rate on the loan as originally determined under paragraph (a) and taking into account the prepayment. The refund need not be made if it would be less than \$9.00.
- (g) For the purpose of calculating the refund under this subdivision, the financial institution may assume that the contract was paid before the date of prepayment according to the schedule of payments under the loan and that all payments were paid on their due dates.
- (h) For loans repayable in substantially equal successive monthly installments, the financial institution may calculate the refund under paragraph (f) as the portion of the finance charge allocable on an actuarial basis to all wholly unexpired payment periods following the date of prepayment, based on the annual percentage rate on the loan as originally determined under paragraph (a), and for the purpose of calculating the refund may assume that all payments are made on the due date.
- (i) The dollar amounts in this subdivision, subdivision 6, paragraph (a), clause (4), and the dollar amount of original principal amount of closed-end credit in subdivision 6, paragraph (d), shall change periodically, as provided in this section, according to and to the extent of changes in the implicit price deflator for the gross domestic product, 2005 = 100, compiled by the United States Department of Commerce, and hereafter referred to as the

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index. The index for December 2011 is the reference base index for adjustments of dollar amounts.

- (j) The designated dollar amounts shall change on July 1 of each even-numbered year if the percentage of change, calculated to the nearest whole percentage point, between the index for December of the preceding year and the reference base index is ten percent or more; but
- (1) the portion of the percentage change in the index in excess of a multiple of ten percent shall be disregarded and the dollar amounts shall change only in multiples of ten percent of the amounts appearing in Laws 1995, chapter 202, on May 24, 1995; and
- (2) the dollar amounts shall not change if the amounts required by this section are those currently in effect pursuant to Laws 1995, chapter 202, as a result of earlier application of this section.
- (k) If the index is revised, the percentage of change pursuant to this section shall be calculated on the basis of the revised index. If a revision of the index changes the reference base index, a revised reference base index shall be determined by multiplying the reference base index then applicable by the rebasing factor furnished by the Department of Commerce. If the index is superseded, the index referred to in this section is the one represented by the Department of Commerce as reflecting most accurately changes in the purchasing power of the dollar for consumers.
  - (1) The commissioner shall:

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- (1) announce and publish on or before April 30 of each year in which dollar amounts are to change, the changes in dollar amounts required by paragraph (j);
  - (2) announce and publish promptly after the changes occur, changes in the index required by paragraph (k) including, if applicable, the numerical equivalent of the reference base index under a revised reference base index and the designation or title of any index superseding the index; and
    - (3) promptly notify the revisor of statutes in writing of the changes announced and published by the commissioner pursuant to clauses (1) and (2). The revisor shall publish the changes in the next edition of Minnesota Statutes.
  - (m) A person does not violate this chapter with respect to a transaction otherwise complying with this chapter if that person relies on dollar amounts either determined according to paragraph (j), clause (2), or appearing in the last publication of the commissioner announcing the then current dollar amounts.

(n) The adjustments provided in this section shall not be affected unless explicitly provided otherwise by law.

Sec. 14. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 48.24, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

- Subd. 2. **Loan liabilities.** Loans not exceeding 25 percent of such capital and surplus made upon first mortgage security on improved real estate in any state in which the bank or a branch established under section 49.411 detached facility of the bank is located, or in any state adjoining a state in which the bank or a branch established under section 49.411 detached facility of the bank is located, shall not constitute a liability of the maker of the notes secured by such mortgages within the meaning of the foregoing provision limiting liability, but shall be an actual liability of the maker. These mortgage loans shall be limited to, and in no case exceed, 50 percent of the cash value of the security covered by the mortgage, except mortgage loans guaranteed as provided by the Servicemen's Readjustment Act of 1944, as now or hereafter amended, or for which there is a commitment to so guarantee or for which a conditional guarantee has been issued, which loans shall in no case exceed 60 percent of the cash value of the security covered by such mortgage. For the purposes of this subdivision, real estate is improved when substantial and permanent development or construction has contributed substantially to its value, and agricultural land is improved when farm crops are regularly raised on such land without further substantial improvements.
- Sec. 15. Minnesota Statutes 2023 Supplement, section 53B.69, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:
- Subd. 3a. Transaction hash. "Transaction hash" means a unique identifier made up of a string of characters that act as a record of and provides proof that the transaction was verified and added to the blockchain.
- Sec. 16. Minnesota Statutes 2023 Supplement, section 53B.69, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:
- Subd. 6a. Virtual currency address. "Virtual currency address" means an alphanumeric identifier representing a destination for a virtual currency transfer that is associated with a virtual currency wallet.

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84.1	Sec. 17. Minnesota Statutes 2023 Supplement, section 53B.69, is amended by adding a
84.2	subdivision to read:
84.3	Subd. 10. Virtual currency kiosk. "Virtual currency kiosk" means an electronic terminal
84.4	acting as a mechanical agent of the licensee to enable the licensee to facilitate the exchange
84.5	of virtual currency for money, bank credit, or other virtual currency, including but not
84.6	limited to by (1) connecting directly to a separate virtual currency exchanger that performs
84.7	the actual virtual currency transmission, or (2) drawing upon the virtual currency in the
84.8	possession of the electronic terminal's licensee.
84.9	Sec. 18. Minnesota Statutes 2023 Supplement, section 53B.69, is amended by adding a
84.10	subdivision to read:
84.11	Subd. 11. Virtual currency wallet. "Virtual currency wallet" means a software
84.12	application or other mechanism providing a means to hold, store, or transfer virtual currency.
84.13	Sec. 19. [53B.75] VIRTUAL CURRENCY KIOSKS.
84.14	Subdivision 1. Disclosures on material risks. (a) Before entering into an initial virtual
84.15	currency transaction for, on behalf of, or with a person, the virtual currency kiosk licensee
84.16	must disclose in clear, conspicuous, and legibly written English all material risks generally
84.17	associated with virtual currency. The disclosures must be displayed on the screen of the
84.18	virtual currency kiosk with the ability for a person to acknowledge the receipt of the
84.19	disclosures. The disclosures must include at least the following information:
84.20	(1) virtual currency is not backed or insured by the government, and accounts and value
84.21	balances are not subject to Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, National Credit Union
84.22	Administration, or Securities Investor Protection Corporation protections;
84.23	(2) some virtual currency transactions are deemed to be made when recorded on a public
84.24	ledger, which may not be the date or time when the person initiates the transaction;
84.25	(3) virtual currency's value may be derived from market participants' continued
84.26	willingness to exchange fiat currency for virtual currency, which may result in the permanent
84.27	and total loss of a particular virtual currency's value if the market for virtual currency
84.28	disappears;
84.29	(4) a person who accepts a virtual currency as payment today is not required to accept
84.30	and might not accept virtual currency in the future;
84.31	(5) the volatility and unpredictability of the price of virtual currency relative to fiat
84.32	currency may result in a significant loss over a short period;

85.1	(6) the nature of virtual currency may lead to an increased risk of fraud or cyber attack;
85.2	(7) the nature of virtual currency means that any technological difficulties experienced
85.3	by the licensees may prevent access to or use of a person's virtual currency; and
85.4	(8) any bond maintained by the licensee for the benefit of a person may not cover all
85.5	losses a person incurs.
85.6	(b) The virtual currency kiosk licensee must provide an additional disclosure, which
85.7	must be acknowledged by the person, written prominently and in bold type, and provided
85.8	separately from the disclosures above, stating: "WARNING: LOSSES DUE TO
85.9	FRAUDULENT OR ACCIDENTAL TRANSACTIONS MAY NOT BE RECOVERABLE
85.10	AND TRANSACTIONS IN VIRTUAL CURRENCY ARE IRREVERSIBLE."
85.11	Subd. 2. New account disclosures. When opening an account for a person a virtual
85.12	currency kiosk licensee has not previously opened an account for, and before entering into
85.13	an initial virtual currency transaction for, on behalf of, or with the person, a virtual currency
85.14	kiosk licensee must disclose all relevant terms and conditions generally associated with the
85.15	products, services, and activities of the licensee and virtual currency. A virtual currency
85.16	licensee must make the disclosures in clear, conspicuous, and legibly written English, using
85.17	at least 48-point sans serif type font. The disclosures under this subdivision must address
85.18	at least the following:
85.19	(1) the person's liability for unauthorized virtual currency transactions;
85.20	(2) the person's right to:
85.21	(i) stop payment of a preauthorized virtual currency transfer and the procedure to stop
85.22	payment;
85.23	(ii) receive periodic account statements and valuations from the licensee;
85.24	(iii) receive a receipt, trade ticket, or other evidence of a transaction; and
85.25	(iv) prior notice of a change in the licensee's rules or policies;
85.26	(3) under what circumstances the licensee, without a court or government order, discloses
85.27	a person's account information to third parties; and
85.28	(4) other disclosures that are customarily provided in connection with opening a person's
85.29	account.
85.30	Subd. 3. Prior to transaction disclosures. Before each virtual currency transaction for,
85.31	on behalf of, or with a person, a virtual currency kiosk licensee must disclose the transaction's

1	terms and conditions in clear, conspicuous, and legibly written English, using at least 48-point
2	sans serif type font. The disclosures under this subdivision must address at least the following:
3	(1) the amount of the transaction;
4	(2) any fees, expenses, and charges, including applicable exchange rates;
	(3) the type and nature of the transaction;
	(4) a warning that once completed, the transaction may not be reversed, if applicable;
	(5) a daily virtual currency transaction limit of no more than \$1,000;
	(6) the difference in the virtual currency's sale price versus the current market price; and
	(7) other disclosures that are customarily given in connection with a virtual currency
)	transaction.
l	Subd. 4. Acknowledgment of disclosures. A virtual currency kiosk licensee must ensure
	that each person who engages in a virtual currency transaction using the virtual currency
	licensee's kiosk acknowledges receipt of all the disclosures required under this section.
	Additionally, upon a transaction's completion, the virtual currency licensee must provide a
	person with a receipt containing the following information:
	(1) the licensee's name and contact information, including a telephone number to answer
	questions and register complaints;
	(2) the type, value, date, and precise time of the transaction, transactional hash, and each
	virtual currency address;
	(3) the fee charged;
	(4) the exchange rate, if applicable;
	(5) a statement of the licensee's liability for nondelivery or delayed delivery;
	(6) a statement of the licensee's refund policy; and
	(7) any additional information the commissioner of commerce may require.
	Subd. 5. Fees. The licensee of a virtual currency kiosk is prohibited from collecting fees,
	whether direct or indirect, from a person related to a single digital financial asset transaction
	that exceeds the greater of either:
	(1) \$5; or

87.1	(2) ten percent of the United States dollar equivalent of digital financial assets involved
87.2	in the transaction, according to the publicly quoted market price of the digital asset on a
87.3	licensed digital financial asset exchange at the time the person initiates the transaction.
87.4	Subd. 6. Cancellation and refund. A virtual currency kiosk licensee must, at the
87.5	licensee's cost and within 72 hours after a virtual currency transaction, allow the person to
87.6	cancel and receive a full refund for the virtual currency transaction if the virtual currency
87.7	transaction is:
87.8	(1) the person's first virtual currency transaction with the licensee; and
87.9	(2) to a virtual currency wallet or exchange located outside of the United States.
87.10	Sec. 20. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 58.02, is amended by adding a subdivision to
87.11	read:
87.12	Subd. 15a. Nationwide Multistate Licensing System and Registry. "Nationwide
87.13	Multistate Licensing System and Registry" has the meaning given in section 58A.02,
87.14	subdivision 8.
87.15	Sec. 21. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 58.02, subdivision 18, is amended to read:
87.16	Subd. 18. Residential mortgage loan. "Residential mortgage loan" means a loan secured
87.17	primarily by either: (1) a mortgage, deed of trust, or other equivalent security interest on
87.18	residential real property estate; or (2) certificates of stock or other evidence of ownership
87.19	interest in and proprietary lease from corporations, partnerships, or other forms of business
87.20	organizations formed for the purpose of cooperative ownership of residential real property
87.21	estate.
87.22	Sec. 22. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 58.02, subdivision 21, is amended to read:
87.23	Subd. 21. Residential real estate. "Residential real estate" means real property located
87.24	in Minnesota upon which a dwelling, as defined in United States Code, title 15, section
87.25	1602(w), is constructed or is intended to be constructed, whether or not the owner occupies
87.26	the real property.
87.27	Sec. 23. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 58.04, subdivision 1, is amended to read:
87.28	Subdivision 1. Residential mortgage originator licensing requirements. (a) No person
87.29	shall act as a residential mortgage originator, or make residential mortgage loans without

first obtaining a license from the commissioner according to the licensing procedures provided in this chapter.

- (b) A licensee must be either a partnership, limited liability partnership, association, limited liability company, corporation, or other form of business organization, and must have and maintain a surety bond in the amounts prescribed under section 58.08.
- 88.6 (c) The following persons are exempt from the residential mortgage originator licensing requirements:
  - (1) a person who is not in the business of making residential mortgage loans and who makes no more than three such loans, with its own funds, during any 12-month period;
  - (2) a financial institution as defined in section 58.02, subdivision 10;
  - (3) an agency of the federal government, or of a state or municipal government;
- (4) an employee or employer pension plan making loans only to its participants;
- 88.13 (5) a person acting in a fiduciary capacity, such as a trustee or receiver, as a result of a specific order issued by a court of competent jurisdiction;
  - (6) a person who is a bona fide nonprofit organization that meets all the criteria required by the federal Secure and Fair Enforcement Licensing Act in Regulation H, adopted pursuant to Code of Federal Regulations, title 12, part 1008, subpart B, section 1008.103 (e)(7)(ii);
    - (6) (7) a person exempted by order of the commissioner; or
- 88.19 (7) (8) a manufactured home dealer, as defined in section 327B.01, subdivision 7 or 11b, or a manufactured home salesperson, as defined in section 327B.01, subdivision 19, that:
  - (i) performs only clerical or support duties in connection with assisting a consumer in filling out a residential mortgage loan application but does not in any way offer or negotiate loan terms, or hold themselves out as a housing counselor;
  - (ii) does not receive any direct or indirect compensation or gain from any individual or company for assisting consumers with a residential mortgage loan application, in excess of the customary salary or commission from the employer in connection with the sales transaction; and
- 88.28 (iii) discloses to the borrower in writing:
- (A) if a corporate affiliation with a lender exists;
- (B) if a corporate affiliation with a lender exists, that the lender cannot guarantee the lowest or best terms available and the consumer has the right to choose their lender; and

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89.1	(C) if a corporate affiliation with a lender exists, the name of at least one unaffiliated
89.2	lender.
89.3	(d) For the purposes of this subdivision, "housing counselor" means an individual who
89.4	provides assistance and guidance about residential mortgage loan terms including rates,
89.5	fees, or other costs.
89.6	(e) The disclosures required under paragraph (c), clause (7) (8), item (iii), must be made
89.7	on a one-page form prescribed by the commissioner and developed in consultation with the
89.8	Manufactured and Modular Home Association. The form must be posted on the department's
89.9	website.
89.10	Sec. 24. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 58.04, subdivision 2, is amended to read:
89.11	Subd. 2. Residential mortgage servicer licensing requirements. (a) Beginning August
89.12	1, 1999, no person shall engage in activities or practices that fall within the definition of
89.13	"servicing a residential mortgage loan" under section 58.02, subdivision 22, without first
89.14	obtaining a license from the commissioner according to the licensing procedures provided
89.15	in this chapter.
89.16	(b) The following persons are exempt from the residential mortgage servicer licensing
89.17	requirements:
89.18	(1) a person licensed as a residential mortgage originator;
89.19	(2) an employee of one licensee or one person holding a certificate of exemption based
89.20	on an exemption under this subdivision;
89.21	(3) a person servicing loans made with its own funds, if no more than three such loans
89.22	are made in any 12-month period;
89.23	(4) a financial institution as defined in section 58.02, subdivision 10;
89.24	(5) an agency of the federal government, or of a state or municipal government;
89.25	(6) an employee or employer pension plan making loans only to its participants;
89.26	(7) a person acting in a fiduciary capacity, such as a trustee or receiver, as a result of a
89.27	specific order issued by a court of competent jurisdiction; or
89.28	(8) a person who is a bona fide nonprofit organization that meets all the criteria required
89.29	by the federal Secure and Fair Enforcement Licensing Act in Regulation H, Code of Federal
89.30	Regulations, title 12, part 1008, subpart B, section 1008.103 (e)(7)(ii); or

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(8) (9) a person exempted by order of the commissioner.

Sec. 25. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 58.05, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. Exempt person. (a) An exempt person, as defined by section 58.04,

subdivision 1, paragraph (c), and subdivision 2, paragraph (b), is exempt from the licensing requirements of this chapter, but is subject to all other provisions of this chapter.

- 90.5 (b) Paragraph (a) does not apply to an institution covered under section 58.04, subdivision
  90.6 4, even if the institution is otherwise an exempt person.
- 90.7 Sec. 26. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 58.05, subdivision 3, is amended to read:
- Subd. 3. Certificate of exemption. A person (a) The following persons must obtain a certificate of exemption from the commissioner to qualify as an exempt person under section 58.04, subdivision 1, paragraph (c), a financial institution under clause (2),:
- 90.11 (1) a bona fide nonprofit organization under section 58.04, subdivision 1, paragraph (c), 90.12 clause (6); or
- 90.13 (2) a person exempted by order of the commissioner under section 58.04, subdivision 90.14 1, paragraph (c), clause (6); or (7).
- 90.15 (b) The following persons must obtain a certificate of exemption from the commissioner
  90.16 to qualify as an exempt person under section 58.04, subdivision 2, paragraph (b), as a
  90.17 financial institution under clause (4),:
- 90.18 (1) a bona fide nonprofit organization under section 58.04, subdivision 2, paragraph (b), 90.19 clause (8); or
- 90.20 (2) a person exempted by order of the commissioner under section 58.04, subdivision 90.21 2, paragraph (b), clause (8) (9).
- Sec. 27. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 58.06, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:
- 90.24 Subd. 5. Background checks. In connection with an application for a residential mortgage
  90.25 loan originator or servicer license, any person in control of an applicant must, at a minimum,
  90.26 provide the Nationwide Multistate Licensing System and Registry information concerning
  90.27 the person's identity, including:
- 90.28 (1) fingerprints for submission to the Federal Bureau of Investigation and a governmental
  90.29 agency or entity authorized to receive the information for a state, national, and international
  90.30 criminal history background check; and

91.1	(2) personal history and experience in a form prescribed by the Nationwide Multistate
91.2	Licensing System and Registry, including the submission of authorization for the Nationwide
91.3	Multistate Licensing System and Registry and the commissioner to obtain:
91.4	(i) an independent credit report obtained from a consumer reporting agency described
91.5	in United States Code, title 15, section 1681a(p); and
91.6	(ii) information related to administrative, civil, or criminal findings by a governmental
91.7	jurisdiction.
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91.8	Sec. 28. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 58.06, is amended by adding a subdivision to
91.9	read:
91.10	Subd. 6. Requesting and distributing criminal information; agency. For the purposes
91.11	of this section and in order to reduce the points of contact the Federal Bureau of Investigation
91.12	may have to maintain for purposes of subdivision 5, clauses (1) and (2), the commissioner
91.13	may use the Nationwide Multistate Licensing System and Registry as a channeling agent
91.14	to request information from and distribute information to the United States Department of
91.15	Justice or any governmental agency.
91.16	Sec. 29. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 58.06, is amended by adding a subdivision to
91.17	read:
91.18	Subd. 7. Requesting and distributing noncriminal information; agency. For the
91.19	purposes of this section and in order to reduce the points of contact the commissioner may
91.20	have to maintain for purposes of subdivision 5, clause (2), the commissioner may use the
91.21	Nationwide Multistate Licensing System and Registry as a channeling agent to request and
91.22	distribute information from and to any source, as directed by the commissioner.
91.23	Sec. 30. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 58.08, subdivision 1a, is amended to read:
91.24	Subd. 1a. Residential mortgage originators. (a) An applicant for a residential mortgage
91.25	originator license must file with the department a surety bond in the amount of \$100,000
91.26	\$125,000, issued by an insurance company authorized to do so in this state. The bond must
91.27	cover all mortgage loan originators who are employees or independent agents of the applicant.
91.28	The bond must be available for the recovery of expenses, fines, and fees levied by the
91.29	commissioner under this chapter and for losses incurred by borrowers as a result of a
91.30	licensee's noncompliance with the requirements of this chapter, sections 325D.43 to 325D.48,
91.31	and 325F.67 to 325F.69, or breach of contract relating to activities regulated by this chapter.

(b) The bond must be submitted with the originator's license application and evidence of continued coverage must be submitted with each renewal. Any change in the bond must be submitted for approval by the commissioner, within ten days of its execution. The bond or a substitute bond shall remain in effect during all periods of licensing.

(c) Upon filing of the mortgage call report as required by section 58A.17 58.141, a licensee shall maintain or increase its the licensee's surety bond to reflect the total dollar amount of the closed residential mortgage loans originated in this state in the preceding year according to the table in this paragraph. A licensee may decrease its the licensee's surety bond according to the table in this paragraph if the surety bond required is less than the amount of the surety bond on file with the department.

92.11 92.12	Dollar Amount of Closed Residential Mortgage Loans	Surety Bond Required
92.13	\$0 to \$5,000,000 \$10,000,000	\$100,000 <u>\$125,000</u>
92.14 92.15	\$5,000,000.01 \$10,000,000.01 to \$10,000,000 \$25,000,000	\$125,000 <u>\$150,000</u>
92.16 92.17	\$10,000,000.01 \$25,000,000.01 to \$25,000,000 \$100,000,000	<u>\$150,000</u> <u>\$200,000</u>
92.18	Over <del>\$25,000,000</del> \$100,000,000	<del>\$200,000</del> \$300,000

- For purposes of this subdivision, "mortgage loan originator" has the meaning given the term in section 58A.02, subdivision 7.
- 92.21 Sec. 31. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 58.08, subdivision 2, is amended to read:
  - Subd. 2. **Residential mortgage servicers.** (a) A residential mortgage servicer licensee shall continuously maintain a surety bond or irrevocable letter of credit in an amount not less than \$100,000 \$125,000 in a form approved by the commissioner, issued by an insurance company or bank authorized to do so in this state. The bond or irrevocable letter of credit must be available for the recovery of expenses, fines, and fees levied by the commissioner under this chapter, and for losses or damages incurred by borrowers or other aggrieved parties as the result of a licensee's noncompliance with the requirements of this chapter, sections 325D.43 to 325D.48, and 325F.67 to 325F.69, or breach of contract relating to activities regulated by this chapter.
  - (b) The bond or irrevocable letter of credit must be submitted with the servicer's license application and evidence of continued coverage must be submitted with each renewal. Any change in the bond or letter of credit must be submitted for approval by the commissioner, within ten days of its execution. The bond or a substitute bond must remain in effect during all periods of a license.

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(c) Upon filing the mortgage call report under section 58.141, a licensee must maintain or increase the licensee's surety bond to reflect the total dollar amount of unpaid principal balance for residential mortgage loans serviced in Minnesota during the preceding quarter according to the table in this paragraph. A licensee may decrease the licensee's surety bond according to the table in this paragraph if the surety bond required is less than the amount of the surety bond on file with the department. Dollar Amount of Unpaid Principal Balance Surety Bond Required for Serviced Residential Mortgage Loans \$0 to \$10,000,000 \$125,000 \$10,000,000.01 to \$50,000,000 \$200,000 Over \$50,000,000 \$300,000 Sec. 32. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 58.10, subdivision 3, is amended to read: Subd. 3. Consumer education account; money credited and appropriated. (a) The consumer education account is created in the special revenue fund. Money credited to this account may be appropriated to the commissioner for the purpose of making to: (1) make grants to programs and campaigns designed to help consumers avoid being victimized by unscrupulous lenders and mortgage brokers; and (2) pay for expenses the commissioner

(b) A sum sufficient is appropriated annually from the consumer education account to the commissioner to make the grants described in paragraph (a).

incurs to provide outreach and education related to affordable housing and home ownership

education. The commissioner must give preference shall be given for grants to programs

and campaigns designed by coalitions of public sector, private sector, and nonprofit agencies,

- 93.24 Sec. 33. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 58.115, is amended to read:
- 93.25 **58.115 EXAMINATIONS.**

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The commissioner has under this chapter the same powers with respect to examinations that the commissioner has under section 46.04. In addition to the powers under section 46.04, the commissioner may accept examination reports prepared by a state agency that has comparable supervisory powers and examination procedures. The authority under section 49.411, subdivision 7, applies to examinations of institutions under this chapter.

Sec. 34. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 58.13, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. Generally. (a) No person acting as a residential mortgage originator or servicer, including a person required to be licensed under this chapter, and no person exempt from the licensing requirements of this chapter under section 58.04, except as otherwise provided in paragraph (b), shall:

- (1) fail to maintain a trust account to hold trust funds received in connection with a residential mortgage loan;
- (2) fail to deposit all trust funds into a trust account within three business days of receipt; commingle trust funds with funds belonging to the licensee or exempt person; or use trust account funds for any purpose other than that for which they are received;
- (3) unreasonably delay the processing of a residential mortgage loan application, or the closing of a residential mortgage loan. For purposes of this clause, evidence of unreasonable delay includes but is not limited to those factors identified in section 47.206, subdivision 7, paragraph (d);
  - (4) fail to disburse funds according to its contractual or statutory obligations;
- (5) fail to perform in conformance with its written agreements with borrowers, investors, 94.16 other licensees, or exempt persons; 94.17
  - (6) charge a fee for a product or service where the product or service is not actually provided, or misrepresent the amount charged by or paid to a third party for a product or service;
- (7) fail to comply with sections 345.31 to 345.60, the Minnesota unclaimed property 94.21 law; 94.22
- (8) violate any provision of any other applicable state or federal law regulating residential 94.23 mortgage loans including, without limitation, sections 47.20 to 47.208 and 47.58; 94.24
  - (9) make or cause to be made, directly or indirectly, any false, deceptive, or misleading statement or representation in connection with a residential loan transaction including, without limitation, a false, deceptive, or misleading statement or representation regarding the borrower's ability to qualify for any mortgage product;
- (10) conduct residential mortgage loan business under any name other than that under 94.29 which the license or certificate of exemption was issued;
- (11) compensate, whether directly or indirectly, coerce or intimidate an appraiser for 94.31 the purpose of influencing the independent judgment of the appraiser with respect to the 94.32

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value of real estate that is to be covered by a residential mortgage or is being offered as security according to an application for a residential mortgage loan;

- (12) issue any document indicating conditional qualification or conditional approval for a residential mortgage loan, unless the document also clearly indicates that final qualification or approval is not guaranteed, and may be subject to additional review;
- (13) make or assist in making any residential mortgage loan with the intent that the loan will not be repaid and that the residential mortgage originator will obtain title to the property through foreclosure;
- (14) provide or offer to provide for a borrower, any brokering or lending services under an arrangement with a person other than a licensee or exempt person, provided that a person may rely upon a written representation by the residential mortgage originator that it is in compliance with the licensing requirements of this chapter;
- (15) claim to represent a licensee or exempt person, unless the person is an employee of the licensee or exempt person or unless the person has entered into a written agency agreement with the licensee or exempt person;
- (16) fail to comply with the record keeping and notification requirements identified in section 58.14 or fail to abide by the affirmations made on the application for licensure;
- (17) represent that the licensee or exempt person is acting as the borrower's agent after providing the nonagency disclosure required by section 58.15, unless the disclosure is retracted and the licensee or exempt person complies with all of the requirements of section 58.16;
- (18) make, provide, or arrange for a residential mortgage loan that is of a lower investment grade if the borrower's credit score or, if the originator does not utilize credit scoring or if a credit score is unavailable, then comparable underwriting data, indicates that the borrower may qualify for a residential mortgage loan, available from or through the originator, that is of a higher investment grade, unless the borrower is informed that the borrower may qualify for a higher investment grade loan with a lower interest rate and/or lower discount points, and consents in writing to receipt of the lower investment grade loan;
- For purposes of this section, "investment grade" refers to a system of categorizing residential mortgage loans in which the loans are distinguished by interest rate or discount points or both charged to the borrower, which vary according to the degree of perceived risk of default based on factors such as the borrower's credit, including credit score and

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credit patterns, income and employment history, debt ratio, loan-to-value ratio, and prior bankruptcy or foreclosure;

- (19) make, publish, disseminate, circulate, place before the public, or cause to be made, directly or indirectly, any advertisement or marketing materials of any type, or any statement or representation relating to the business of residential mortgage loans that is false, deceptive, or misleading;
- (20) advertise loan types or terms that are not available from or through the licensee or exempt person on the date advertised, or on the date specified in the advertisement. For purposes of this clause, advertisement includes, but is not limited to, a list of sample mortgage terms, including interest rates, discount points, and closing costs provided by licensees or exempt persons to a print or electronic medium that presents the information to the public;
- (21) use or employ phrases, pictures, return addresses, geographic designations, or other means that create the impression, directly or indirectly, that a licensee or other person is a governmental agency, or is associated with, sponsored by, or in any manner connected to, related to, or endorsed by a governmental agency, if that is not the case;
  - (22) violate section 82.77, relating to table funding;
- (23) make, provide, or arrange for a residential mortgage loan all or a portion of the proceeds of which are used to fully or partially pay off a "special mortgage" unless the borrower has obtained a written certification from an authorized independent loan counselor that the borrower has received counseling on the advisability of the loan transaction. For purposes of this section, "special mortgage" means a residential mortgage loan originated, subsidized, or guaranteed by or through a state, tribal, or local government, or nonprofit organization, that bears one or more of the following nonstandard payment terms which substantially benefit the borrower: (i) payments vary with income; (ii) payments of principal or interest are not required or can be deferred under specified conditions; (iii) principal or interest is forgivable under specified conditions; or (iv) where no interest or an annual interest rate of two percent or less is charged in connection with the loan. For purposes of this section, "authorized independent loan counselor" means a nonprofit, third-party individual or organization providing home buyer education programs, foreclosure prevention services, mortgage loan counseling, or credit counseling certified by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development, the Minnesota Home Ownership Center, the Minnesota Mortgage Foreclosure Prevention Association, AARP, or NeighborWorks America;

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(24) make, provide, or arrange for a residential mortgage loan without verifying the borrower's reasonable ability to pay the scheduled payments of the following, as applicable: principal; interest; real estate taxes; homeowner's insurance, assessments, and mortgage insurance premiums. For loans in which the interest rate may vary, the reasonable ability to pay shall be determined based on a fully indexed rate and a repayment schedule which achieves full amortization over the life of the loan. For all residential mortgage loans, the borrower's income and financial resources must be verified by tax returns, payroll receipts, bank records, or other similarly reliable documents.

Nothing in this section shall be construed to limit a mortgage originator's or exempt person's ability to rely on criteria other than the borrower's income and financial resources to establish the borrower's reasonable ability to repay the residential mortgage loan, including criteria established by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs or the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development for interest rate reduction refinancing loans or streamline loans, or criteria authorized or promulgated by the Federal National Mortgage Association or Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation; however, such other criteria must be verified through reasonably reliable methods and documentation. The mortgage originator's analysis of the borrower's reasonable ability to repay may include, but is not limited to, consideration of the following items, if verified: (1) the borrower's current and expected income; (2) current and expected cash flow; (3) net worth and other financial resources other than the consumer's equity in the dwelling that secures the loan; (4) current financial obligations; (5) property taxes and insurance; (6) assessments on the property; (7) employment status; (8) credit history; (9) debt-to-income ratio; (10) credit scores; (11) tax returns; (12) pension statements; and (13) employment payment records, provided that no mortgage originator shall disregard facts and circumstances that indicate that the financial or other information submitted by the consumer is inaccurate or incomplete. A statement by the borrower to the residential mortgage originator or exempt person of the borrower's income and resources or sole reliance on any single item listed above is not sufficient to establish the existence of the income or resources when verifying the reasonable ability to pay;

(25) engage in "churning." As used in this section, "churning" means knowingly or intentionally making, providing, or arranging for a residential mortgage loan when the new residential mortgage loan does not provide a reasonable, tangible net benefit to the borrower considering all of the circumstances, including the terms of both the new and refinanced loans, the cost of the new loan, and the borrower's circumstances; In order to demonstrate a reasonable, tangible net benefit to the borrower, the circumstances at the time of the

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application must be documented in writing and must be signed by the borrower prior to the closing date;

(26) the first time a residential mortgage originator orally informs a borrower of the anticipated or actual periodic payment amount for a first-lien residential mortgage loan which does not include an amount for payment of property taxes and hazard insurance, the residential mortgage originator must inform the borrower that an additional amount will be due for taxes and insurance and, if known, disclose to the borrower the amount of the anticipated or actual periodic payments for property taxes and hazard insurance. This same oral disclosure must be made each time the residential mortgage originator orally informs the borrower of a different anticipated or actual periodic payment amount change from the amount previously disclosed. A residential mortgage originator need not make this disclosure concerning a refinancing loan if the residential mortgage originator knows that the borrower's existing loan that is anticipated to be refinanced does not have an escrow account; or

(27) make, provide, or arrange for a residential mortgage loan, other than a reverse mortgage pursuant to United States Code, title 15, chapter 41, if the borrower's compliance with any repayment option offered pursuant to the terms of the loan will result in negative amortization during any six-month period.

(b) Paragraph (a), clauses (24) through (27), do not apply to a state or federally chartered bank, savings bank, or credit union, an institution chartered by Congress under the Farm Credit Act, or to a person making, providing, or arranging a residential mortgage loan originated or purchased by a state agency or a tribal or local unit of government. This paragraph supersedes any inconsistent provision of this chapter.

## Sec. 35. [58.141] REPORTS AND UNIQUE IDENTIFIER.

Subdivision 1. Mortgage call reports. A residential mortgage originator or servicer
 must submit reports of condition to the Nationwide Multistate Licensing System and Registry.
 Reports submitted under this subdivision must be in the form and contain the information
 required by the Nationwide Multistate Licensing System and Registry.

Subd. 2. Report to Nationwide Multistate Licensing System and Registry. Subject to section 58A.14, the commissioner must regularly report violations of this chapter, as well as enforcement actions and other relevant information, to the Nationwide Multistate Licensing System and Registry.

Subd. 3. Unique identifier; display. The unique identifier of any person originating a residential mortgage loan must be clearly displayed on all residential mortgage loan

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99.1	application forms, solicitations, or advertisements, including business cards or websites,
99.2	and any other documents the commissioner establishes by rule or order.
99.3	Sec. 36. Minnesota Statutes 2023 Supplement, section 332.71, subdivision 2, is amended
99.4	to read:
99.5	Subd. 2. Coerced debt. (a) "Coerced debt" means all or a portion of debt in a debtor's
99.6	name that has been incurred as a result of:
99.7	(1) the use of the debtor's personal information without the debtor's knowledge,
99.8	authorization, or consent;
99.9	(2) the use or threat of force, intimidation, undue influence, harassment, fraud, deception,
99.10	coercion, or other similar means against the debtor; or
99.11	(3) economic abuse perpetrated against the debtor.
99.12	(b) Coerced debt does not include secured debt.
99.13	EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective January 1, 2025.
99.14	Sec. 37. Minnesota Statutes 2023 Supplement, section 332.71, subdivision 4, is amended
	to read:
99.16	Subd. 4. <b>Debtor.</b> "Debtor" means a person who (1) is a victim of domestic abuse,
99.17	harassment economic abuse, or sex or labor trafficking, and (2) owes coerced debt.
99.18	<b>EFFECTIVE DATE.</b> This section is effective January 1, 2025.
99.19	Sec. 38. Minnesota Statutes 2023 Supplement, section 332.71, subdivision 5, is amended
99.20	to read:
99.21	Subd. 5. <b>Documentation.</b> "Documentation" means a writing that identifies a debt or a
99.22	portion of a debt as cocreed debt, describes the circumstances under which the cocreed debt
99.23	was incurred, and takes the form of:
99.24	(1) a police report;
99.25	(2) a Federal Trade Commission identity theft report;
99.26	(3) an order in a dissolution proceeding under chapter 518 that declares that one or more
99.27	debts are coerced; or
99.28	(4) a sworn written certification.

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**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective January 1, 2025.

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Sec. 39. Minnesota Statutes 2023 Supplement, section 332.71, subdivision 7, is amended 100.1 to read: 100.2 Subd. 7. Economic abuse. "Economic abuse" means behavior in the context of a domestic 100.3 relationship that controls, restrains, restricts, impairs, or interferes with the ability of a vietim 100.4 of domestic abuse, harassment, or sex or labor trafficking debtor to acquire, use, or maintain 100.5 economic resources, including but not limited to: 100.6 (1) withholding or restricting access to, or the acquisition of, money, assets, credit, or 100.7 financial information; 100.8 (2) interfering with the victim's ability to work and earn wages; or 100.9 (3) exerting undue influence over a person's financial and economic behavior or decisions. 100.10 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective January 1, 2025. 100.11 Sec. 40. Minnesota Statutes 2023 Supplement, section 332.72, is amended to read: 100.12 332.72 COERCED DEBT PROHIBITED. 100.13 (a) A person is prohibited from causing another person to incur coerced debt. 100.14 (b) A person who causes another person to incur a coerced debt in violation of this 100.15 section is civilly liable to the creditor for the amount of the debt, or portion thereof, 100.16 determined by a court to be coerced debt, plus the creditor's reasonable attorney fees and 100.17 costs, provided the creditor follows the procedures under section 332.74, subdivision 3, paragraph (b). 100.19 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective January 1, 2025. 100.20 Sec. 41. Minnesota Statutes 2023 Supplement, section 332.73, subdivision 1, is amended 100.21 100.22 to read: Subdivision 1. **Notification.** (a) Before taking an affirmative action under section 332.74, 100.23 a debtor must, by certified mail, notify a creditor that the debt or a portion of a debt on 100.24 which the creditor demands payment is coerced debt and request that the creditor cease all 100.25 collection activity on the coerced debt. The notification and request must be in writing and include documentation. If not already included in documentation, the notification must include a signed statement that includes: 100.28 (1) an assertion that the debtor is a victim of domestic abuse, economic abuse, or sex or 100.29

labor trafficking;

101.1	(2) a recitation of the facts supporting the claim that the debt is coerced; and
101.2	(3) if only a portion of the debt is claimed to be coerced debt, an itemization of the
101.3	portion of the debt that is claimed to be coerced debt.
101.4	(b) The creditor, within 30 days of the date the notification and request is received, must
101.5	notify the debtor in writing of the creditor's decision to either immediately cease all collection
101.6	activity or continue to pursue collection. If a creditor ceases collection but subsequently
101.7	decides to resume collection activity, the creditor must notify the debtor ten days prior to
101.8	the date the collection activity resumes.
101.9	(b) If a creditor ceases collection but subsequently decides to resume collection activity,
101.10	the creditor must notify the debtor ten days prior to the date the collection activity resumes.
101.11	(c) A debtor must not proceed with an action under section 332.74 until the 30-day
101.12	period provided under paragraph (a) has expired.
101.13	EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective January 1, 2025.
101.14	Sec. 42. Minnesota Statutes 2023 Supplement, section 332.74, subdivision 3, is amended
101.15	to read:
101.16	Subd. 3. <b>Relief.</b> (a) If a debtor shows by a preponderance of the evidence that the debtor
101.17	has been aggrieved by a violation of section 332.72 and the debtor has incurred coerced
101.18	debt, the debtor is entitled to one or more of the following:
101.19	(1) a declaratory judgment that the debt or portion of a debt is coerced debt;
101.20	(2) an injunction prohibiting the creditor from (i) holding or attempting to hold the debtor
101.21	liable for the debt or portion of a debt, or (ii) enforcing a judgment related to the coerced
101.22	debt; and
101.23	(3) an order dismissing any cause of action brought by the creditor to enforce or collect
101.24	the coerced debt from the debtor or, if only a portion of the debt is established as coerced
101.25	debt, an order directing that the judgment, if any, in the action be amended to reflect only
101.26	the portion of the debt that is not coerced debt.
101.27	(b) If the court orders relief for the debtor under paragraph (a), the court, after the
101.28	creditor's motion has been personally served on the person who violated section 332.72, or
101.29	if personal service cannot be made, after service by United States mail to the last known
101.30	address of the person who violated section 332.72 and one-week published notice under
101.31	section 645.11, shall must issue a judgment in favor of the creditor against the person in
101.32	the amount of the debt or a portion thereof.

102.1 (c) This subdivision applies regardless of the judicial district in which the creditor's action or the debtor's petition was filed.

- **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective January 1, 2025.
- Sec. 43. Minnesota Statutes 2023 Supplement, section 332.74, subdivision 5, is amended to read:
- Subd. 5. **Burden.** In any affirmative action taken under subdivision 1 or any affirmative defense asserted in subdivision 4, the debtor bears the burden to show by a preponderance of the evidence that the debtor incurred coerced debt. There is a presumption that the debtor has incurred coerced debt if the person alleged to have caused the debtor to incur the coerced debt has been eriminally convicted, entered a guilty plea, or entered an Alford plea under of or received a stay of adjudication for a violation of section 609.27, 609.282, 609.322, or
- 102.12 609.527.

- 102.13 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective January 1, 2025.
- Sec. 44. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 550.37, subdivision 2, is amended to read:
- Subd. 2. Bible and musical instrument Sacred possessions. The family Bible, library,
- 102.16 and musical instruments Torah, Qur'an, prayer rug, other religions items in an aggregate
- amount not exceeding \$2,000.
- 102.18 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2024, and applies to causes of action commenced on or after that date.
- Sec. 45. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 550.37, is amended by adding a subdivision to
- 102.21 read:
- Subd. 2a. **Library.** A personal library in an aggregate amount not exceeding \$2,000.
- 102.23 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2024, and applies to causes
- of action commenced on or after that date.
- Sec. 46. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 550.37, is amended by adding a subdivision to
- 102.26 read:
- Subd. 2b. Musical instrument. Musical instruments in an aggregate amount not
- 102.28 exceeding \$2,000.
- 102.29 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2024, and applies to causes
- of action commenced on or after that date.

Sec. 47. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 550.37, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

- Subd. 4. **Personal goods.** (a) All wearing apparel, one watch, utensils, and foodstuffs of the debtor and the debtor's family.
- 103.4 (b) Household furniture, household appliances, phonographs, radio and television
  103.5 receivers radios, computers, tablets, televisions, printers, cell phones, smart phones, and
  103.6 other consumer electronics of the debtor and the debtor's family, not exceeding \$11,250 in
  103.7 value.
- 103.8 (c) The debtor's aggregate interest, not exceeding \$3,062.50 in value, in wedding rings
  103.9 or other religious or culturally recognized symbols of marriage exchanged between the
  103.10 debtor and spouse at the time of the marriage and in the debtor's possession jewelry.
- The exemption provided by this subdivision may not be waived except with regard to purchase money security interests. Except for a pawnbroker's possessory lien, a nonpurchase money security interest in the property exempt under this subdivision is void.
- If a debtor has property of the type which would qualify for the exemption under clause (b), of a value in excess of \$11,250 an itemized list of the exempt property, together with the value of each item listed, shall be attached to the security agreement at the time a security interest is taken, and a creditor may take a nonpurchase money security interest in the excess over \$11,250 by requiring the debtor to select the exemption in writing at the time the loan is made.
- 103.20 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2024, and applies to causes of action commenced on or after that date.
- Sec. 48. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 550.37, subdivision 6, is amended to read:
- Subd. 6. **Tools of trade.** The tools, implements, machines, <u>vehicles</u>, instruments, office furniture, stock in trade, and library reasonably necessary in the trade, business, or profession of the debtor, not exceeding \$12,500 in value.
- EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective August 1, 2024, and applies to causes of action commenced on or after that date.
- Sec. 49. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 550.37, subdivision 12a, is amended to read:
- Subd. 12a. **Motor vehicles.** One of the following: (1) one motor vehicle, to the extent of a value not exceeding \$5,000 \$10,000; (2) one motor vehicle that is regularly used by or for the benefit of a physically disabled person, as defined under section 169.345, subdivision

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2, to the extent of a value not exceeding \$25,000; or (3) one motor vehicle, to the extent of a value not exceeding \$50,000 \$100,000, that has been designed or modified, at a cost of not less than \$3,750, to accommodate the physical disability making a disabled person eligible for a certificate authorized by section 169.345.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2024, and applies to causes 104.5 of action commenced on or after that date. 104.6

Sec. 50. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 550.37, subdivision 14, is amended to read:

Subd. 14. Public assistance. All government assistance based on need, and the earnings or salary of a person who is a recipient of government assistance based on need, shall be exempt from all claims of creditors including any contractual setoff or security interest asserted by a financial institution. For the purposes of this chapter, government assistance based on need includes but is not limited to Minnesota family investment program; 104.12 Supplemental Security Income; medical assistance, received by the person or by the person's 104.13 dependent child; MinnesotaCare, received by the person or by the person's dependent child; 104.14 payment of Medicare part B premiums or receipt of part D extra help; MFIP diversionary 104.15 work program; work participation cash benefit; Minnesota supplemental assistance; emergency Minnesota supplemental assistance; general assistance; emergency general 104.17 assistance; emergency assistance or county crisis funds; energy or fuel assistance, and; 104.18 Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP); and the portion of any tax refund 104.19 attributable to a state or federal tax credit, including but not limited to the earned income 104.20 tax credit, state or federal child tax credit, Minnesota working family credit, renter's credit, 104.21 or any low-income tax credit. The salary or earnings of any debtor who is or has been an 104.22 eligible recipient of government assistance based on need, or an inmate of a correctional institution shall, upon the debtor's return to private employment or farming after having 104.24 been an eligible recipient of government assistance based on need, or an inmate of a 104.25 correctional institution, be exempt from attachment, garnishment, or levy of execution for 104.26 a period of six months after the debtor's return to employment or farming and after all public 104.27 assistance for which eligibility existed has been terminated. Any portion of an income tax 104.28 refund consisting of income that was exempt when the income was earned is also exempt 104.29 under this subdivision. The exemption provisions contained in this subdivision also apply 104.30 104.31 for 60 days after deposit in any financial institution, whether in a single or joint account. In tracing the funds, the first-in first-out method of accounting shall be used. The burden of 104.32 establishing that funds are exempt rests upon the debtor. Agencies distributing government 104.33 assistance and the correctional institutions shall, at the request of creditors, inform them 104.34

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whether or not any debtor has been an eligible recipient of government assistance based on need, or an inmate of a correctional institution, within the preceding six months.

- **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2024, and applies to causes of action commenced on or after that date.
- Sec. 51. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 550.37, subdivision 20, is amended to read:
- Subd. 20. Traceable funds. The exemption of funds from creditors' claims, provided 105.6 by subdivisions 9, 10, 11, 15, 22, and 24, shall not be affected by the subsequent deposit of 105.7 the funds in a bank or any other financial institution, whether in a single or joint account, 105.8 if the funds are traceable to their the funds' exempt source. In tracing the funds, the first-in 105.9 first-out method of accounting shall be used. The burden of establishing that funds are exempt rests upon the debtor. No bank or other financial institution shall be liable for 105.11 damages for complying with process duly issued out of any court for the collection of a 105.12 debt even if the funds affected by the process are subsequently determined to have been 105.13 exempt. 105.14
- 105.15 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2024, and applies to causes of action commenced on or after that date.
- Sec. 52. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 550.37, subdivision 22, is amended to read:
- Subd. 22. **Rights of action.** Rights of action or money received for injuries to the person of the debtor or of a relative whether or not resulting in death. <u>Injuries to the person include</u> physical, mental, and emotional injuries. The exemption under this subdivision applies to the right to receive, annuities being paid, and money already received.
- 105.22 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2024, and applies to causes of action commenced on or after that date.
- Sec. 53. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 550.37, subdivision 23, is amended to read:
- Subd. 23. **Life insurance aggregate interest.** The debtor's aggregate interest not to exceed in value \$10,000 in any accrued <u>dividend dividends</u> or interest under or loan value of any unmatured life insurance <u>contracts</u> owned by the debtor under which the insured is the debtor or an individual of whom the debtor is a dependent.
- EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective August 1, 2024, and applies to causes of action commenced on or after that date.

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Sec. 54. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 550.37, is amended by adding a subdivision to 106.1 106.2 read: Subd. 27. Household tools and equipment. The debtor's aggregate interest, not to 106.3 exceed \$3,000, in household tools and equipment, including but not limited to hand and 106.4 106.5 power tools, snow removal equipment, and lawnmowers. **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2024, and applies to causes 106.6 of action commenced on or after that date. 106.7 Sec. 55. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 550.37, is amended by adding a subdivision to 106.8 read: 106.9 Subd. 28. Property tax refunds. Any refund due under chapter 290A, up to a present 106.10 value of \$3,000. 106.11 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2024, and applies to causes 106.12 106.13 of action commenced on or after that date. Sec. 56. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 550.37, is amended by adding a subdivision to 106.14 106.15 read: Subd. 29. Funds in a depository account. An amount up to an aggregate of \$4,000 in 106.16 financial institutions in which the debtor has a depository account, regardless of the sources 106.17 of the funds, is exempt from garnishment under sections 571.91 to 571.915. This exemption 106.18 cannot be claimed in conjunction with the exemption under subdivision 30. 106.19 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2024, and applies to 106.20 garnishment levied on or after that date. 106.21 Sec. 57. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 550.37, is amended by adding a subdivision to 106.22

- 106.23 read:
- Subd. 30. Wild card exemption in bankruptcy. In a bankruptcy, a debtor may exempt 106.24
- any property, including funds in a bank account, up to \$4,000 in value. A debtor cannot 106.25
- claim this exemption if they are already protecting funds in a bank account under subdivision 106.26
- 29, nor may they use this subdivision in conjunction with subdivision 29. 106.27
- **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2024, and applies to exemptions 106.28
- claimed on or after that date. 106.29

107.1	Sec. 58. [550.3711] MOTOR VEHICLE; BANKRUPTCY DEBTOR'S RIGHT TO
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107.3	Subdivision 1. No default. If a buyer does not default in performing the buyer's
107.4	obligations under the contract, the seller or holder is prohibited from (1) accelerating the
107.5	maturity of part or the entire amount due under the contract, or (2) repossessing the motor
107.6	vehicle.
107.7	Subd. 2. Bankruptcy. (a) Neither of the following constitutes a default in the performance
107.8	of the buyer's obligations under the contract: (1) the buyer or another individual liable under
107.9	the contract files a petition commencing a case for bankruptcy under United States Code,
107.10	title 11; or (2) the buyer or another individual liable under the contract is a debtor in
107.11	bankruptcy.
107.12	(b) The act or status under paragraph (a), clauses (1) and (2), with respect to the buyer
107.13	or another individual liable on the contract, must not be used by a seller or holder to: (1)
107.14	accelerate the maturity of a portion of or the entire amount due under the contract; or (2)
107.15	repossess the motor vehicle.
107.16	(c) A contract provision that states an act or status under paragraph (a), clauses (1) and
107.17	(2), with respect to the buyer or another individual liable on the contract, constitutes a default
107.18	is void and unenforceable.
107.19	<b>EFFECTIVE DATE.</b> This section is effective August 1, 2024, and applies to causes
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107.21	Sec. 59. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 550.39, is amended to read:
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107.22	550.39 EXEMPTION OF INSURANCE POLICIES.
107.23	The net amount payable to any insured or to any beneficiary under any policy of accident
107.24	or disability insurance or under accident or disability clauses attached to any policy of life
107.25	insurance shall be exempt and free and clear from the claims of all creditors of such insured
107.26	or such beneficiary and from all legal and judicial processes of execution, attachment,
107.27	garnishment, or otherwise, up to a total amount of \$1,000,000 per claim and subsequent
107.28	award.
107.29	Sec. 60. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 563.01, subdivision 3, is amended to read:
107.30	Subd. 3. Court fee waiver; authorization of in forma pauperis. (a) Any court of the
107.31	state of Minnesota or any political subdivision thereof may authorize the commencement
107.32	or defense of any civil action, or appeal therein, without prepayment of fees, costs and

security for costs by a natural person who makes affidavit stating (a) the nature of the action, defense or appeal, (b) a belief that affiant is entitled to redress, and (c) that affiant is financially unable to pay the fees, costs and security for costs.

- (b) Upon a finding by the court that the action is not of a frivolous nature, the court shall allow the person to proceed in forma pauperis with a court fee waiver if the affidavit is substantially in the language required by this subdivision and is not found by the court to be untrue. Persons meeting the requirements of this subdivision include, but are not limited to, a person who is receiving public assistance described in section 550.37, subdivision 14, who is represented by an attorney on behalf of a civil legal services program or a volunteer attorney program based on indigency, or who has an annual income not greater than 125 percent of the poverty line established under United States Code, title 42, section 9902(2), except as otherwise provided by section 563.02.
- (c) If, at commencement of the action, the court finds that a party does not meet the eligibility criteria under paragraph (b), but the court also finds that the party is not able to pay all of the fees, costs, and security for costs, the court may order payment of a fee of \$75 or partial payment of the fees, costs, and security for costs, to be paid as directed by the court.
- The court administrator shall transmit any fees or payments to the commissioner of management and budget for deposit in the state treasury and credit to the general fund.
- Sec. 61. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 563.01, subdivision 4, is amended to read:
- Subd. 4. **Payment of expenses.** Upon order of the court, the court administrator and the sheriff of any Minnesota county shall perform their duties without charge to the person proceeding in forma pauperis with a court fee waiver. The court shall direct payment of the reasonable expense of service of process pursuant to subdivision 2 if served by a private process server, if the sheriff is unavailable, or by publication.
- Sec. 62. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 563.01, subdivision 8, is amended to read:
- Subd. 8. **Appellate briefs.** In any case on appeal the appellate court shall, upon granting permission to proceed in forma pauperis with a court fee waiver following application in the manner provided in subdivision 3, direct payment of the reasonable expenses incurred in obtaining the record and reproducing the appellate briefs.

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Sec. 63. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 563.01, subdivision 9, is amended to read:

Subd. 9. **Rescinding in forma pauperis status** court fee waiver. Upon motion, the court may rescind its permission to proceed in forma pauperis with a court fee waiver if it the court finds the allegations of poverty contained in the affidavit are untrue, or if, following commencement of the action, the party becomes able to pay the fees, costs and security for the costs. In such cases, the court may direct the party to pay to the court administrator any costs allowing the action to proceed. The court administrator shall transmit the costs to the commissioner of management and budget for deposit in the state treasury and credit them to the general fund.

Sec. 64. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 563.01, subdivision 10, is amended to read:

Subd. 10. **Judgment.** Judgment may be rendered for costs at the conclusion of the action as in other cases. In the event any person recovers moneys by either settlement or judgment as a result of commencing or defending an action in forma pauperis with a court fee waiver, the costs deferred and the expenses directed by the court to be paid under this section shall be included in such moneys and shall be paid directly to the court administrator by the opposing party. The court administrator shall transmit the costs to the commissioner of management and budget for deposit in the state treasury and credit them to the general fund.

- Sec. 65. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 563.02, subdivision 2, is amended to read:
- Subd. 2. Inmate request to proceed in forma pauperis waive court fees. (a) An inmate who wishes to commence a civil action by proceeding in forma pauperis with court fee waived must meet the following requirements, in addition to the requirements of section 563.01, subdivision 3:
  - (1) exhaust the inmate complaint procedure developed under the commissioner of corrections policy and procedure before commencing a civil action against the department, and state in the application to proceed in forma pauperis waive court fees that the inmate has done so; and
    - (2) include the following information in an affidavit submitted under section 563.01:
- (i) a statement that the inmate's claim is not substantially similar to a previous claim brought by the inmate against the same party, arising from the same operative facts, and in which there was an action that operated as an adjudication on the merits;

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(ii) complete information on the inmate's identity, the nature and amount of the inmate's income, spouse's income, if available to the inmate, real property owned by the inmate, and the inmate's bank accounts, debts, monthly expenses, and number of dependents; and

- (iii) the most recent monthly statement provided by the commissioner of corrections showing the balance in the inmate's inmate account.
- (b) The inmate shall also attach a written authorization for the court to obtain at any time during pendency of the present action, without further authorization from the inmate, a current statement of the inmate's inmate account balance, if needed to determine eligibility to proceed with bringing a civil action in forma pauperis with court fees waived. An inmate who has no funds in an inmate account satisfies the requirement of section 563.01, subdivision 3, clause (c).
- (c) An inmate who seeks to proceed as a plaintiff in forma pauperis with court fees waived must file with the court the complaint in the action and the affidavit under this section before serving the complaint on an opposing party.
- (d) An inmate who has funds in an inmate account may only proceed as a plaintiff in a civil action by paying the lesser of:
- 110.17 (1) the applicable court filing fee; or

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- (2) 50 percent of the balance shown in the inmate's account according to the statement filed with the court under this subdivision, consistent with the requirements of section 243.23, subdivision 3.
  - (e) If an inmate elects to proceed under paragraph (d), the court shall notify the commissioner of corrections to withdraw from the inmate's account the amount required under this section and forward the amount to the court administrator in the county where the action was commenced. The court shall also notify the commissioner of corrections of the amount of the filing fee remaining unpaid. The commissioner shall continue making withdrawals from the inmate's account and forwarding the amounts withdrawn to the court administrator, at intervals as the applicable funds in the inmate's account equal at least \$10, until the entire filing fee and any costs have been paid in full.
  - Sec. 66. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 571.72, subdivision 6, is amended to read:
- Subd. 6. **Bad faith claim.** If, in a proceeding brought under <u>subdivision 9</u>, section 571.91, or a similar proceeding under this chapter to determine a claim of exemption, the claim of exemption is not upheld, and the court finds that it was asserted in bad faith, the creditor shall be awarded actual damages, costs, reasonable attorney fees resulting from the additional

proceedings, and an amount not to exceed \$100. If the claim of exemption is upheld, and the court finds that the creditor disregarded the claim of exemption in bad faith, the debtor shall be awarded actual damages, costs, reasonable attorney fees resulting from the additional proceedings, and an amount not to exceed \$100. The underlying judgment shall be modified to reflect assessment of damages, costs, and attorney fees. However, if the party in whose favor a penalty assessment is made is not actually indebted to that party's attorney for fees, the attorney's fee award shall be made directly to the attorney and if not paid an appropriate judgment in favor of the attorney shall be entered.

Sec. 67. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 571.72, subdivision 8, is amended to read:

Subd. 8. Exemption notice. In every garnishment where the debtor is a natural person, the debtor shall be provided with a garnishment exemption notice. If the creditor is garnishing earnings, the earnings exemption notice provided in section 571.924 must be served ten or more days before the service of the first garnishment summons. If the creditor is garnishing funds in a financial institution, the exemption notice provided in section 571.912 must be served with the garnishment summons. In all other cases, the exemption notice must be in the following form and served on the debtor with a copy of the garnishment summons. 111.16

111.17	STATE OF MINNESOTA	DISTRICT COURT
111.18	COUNTY OF	JUDICIAL DISTRICT
111.19	(Creditor)	
111.20	against	
111.21	(Debtor)	EXEMPTION NOTICE
111.22	and	
111.23	(Garnishee)	

A Garnishment Summons is being served upon you. Some of your property may be 111.24 exempt and cannot be garnished. The following is a list of some of the more common 111.25 exemptions. It is not complete and is subject to section 550.37 of the Minnesota Statutes 111.26 and other state and federal laws. The dollar amounts contained in this list are subject to the 111.27 provisions of section 550.37, subdivision 4a, at the time of garnishment. If you have questions about an exemption, you should obtain legal advice. 111.29

- (1) a homestead or the proceeds from the sale of a homestead;
- (2) household furniture, appliances, phonographs, radios, and televisions up to a total 111.31 current value of \$5,850; 111.32
- (3) a manufactured (mobile) home used as your home; 111.33

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(4) one motor vehicle currently worth less than \$2,600 after deducting any security interest;

- 112.3 (5) farm machinery used by an individual principally engaged in farming, or tools, 112.4 machines, or office furniture used in your business or trade. This exemption is limited to 112.5 \$13,000;
- 112.6 (6) relief based on need. This includes:
- (i) Minnesota Family Investment Program (MFIP) and Work First Program;
- (ii) Medical Assistance (MA), whether received by you or by your dependent child;
- 112.9 (iii) General Assistance (GA);
- (iv) Emergency General Assistance (EGA);
- (v) Minnesota Supplemental AID (MSA);
- (vi) MSA-Emergency Assistance (MSA-EA);
- 112.13 (vii) Supplemental Security Income (SSI);
- 112.14 (viii) Energy Assistance; and
- 112.15 (ix) Emergency Assistance (EA);
- 112.16 (7) Social Security benefits;
- (8) unemployment benefits, workers' compensation, or veteran's benefits;
- 112.18 (9) an accident, disability, or retirement pension or annuity;
- (10) life insurance proceeds;
- (11) earnings of your minor child; and
- (12) money from a claim for damage or destruction of exempt property (such as household
- 112.22 goods, farm tools, business equipment, a manufactured (mobile) home, or a car).
- EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective August 1, 2024, and applies to exemption notices provided on or after that date.
- Sec. 68. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 571.72, subdivision 9, is amended to read:
- Subd. 9. **Motion to determine objections.** (a) This subdivision applies to all garnishment
- 112.27 proceedings governed by this chapter. An objection regarding a garnishment must be
- interposed as provided in section 571.914, subdivision 1, in the form provided under section
- 112.29 571.914, subdivision 2.

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	(b) Upon motion of any party in interest, on notice, the court shall determine the validity
113.2	of any claim of exemption and may make any order necessary to protect the rights of those
113.3	interested.
113.4	(c) Upon receipt of a claim of exemption by the debtor, the creditor must comply with
113.5	the claim or interpose an objection within ten business days of the date the exemption claim
113.6	was received. An objection must be interposed by:
113.7	(1) in the district court that issued the judgment, filing the Notice of Objection and
113.8	requesting a hearing; and
113.9	(2) mailing or delivering one copy of the Notice of Objection and Notice of Hearing to
113.10	the garnishee and one copy of the Notice of Objection and Notice of Hearing to the debtor.
113.11	(d) For the purposes of subdivision 6, there is a rebuttable presumption of bad faith if
113.12	the court finds that the creditor failed to comply with the requirements of this subdivision.
113.13	<b>EFFECTIVE DATE.</b> This section is effective August 1, 2024, and applies to causes
113.14	of action commenced on or after that date.
113.15	Sec. 69. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 571.72, subdivision 10, is amended to read:
113.16	Subd. 10. Exemption notice for prejudgment garnishment.
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113.18	IMPORTANT NOTICE: A garnishment summons may be served on your employer,
113.18 113.19 113.20	IMPORTANT NOTICE: A garnishment summons may be served on your employer, bank, or other third parties without any further court proceeding or notice to you.
113.18 113.19 113.20 113.21	IMPORTANT NOTICE: A garnishment summons may be served on your employer, bank, or other third parties without any further court proceeding or notice to you. See the attached Notice of Intent to Garnish for more information.
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114.1	MA - medical assistance, whether received by you or by your dependent child,
114.2	EGA - emergency general assistance or county crisis funds,
114.3	MSA - Minnesota supplemental aid,
114.4	MSA-EA - MSA emergency assistance,
114.5	Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP),
114.6	SSI - Supplemental Security Income,
114.7	MinnesotaCare,, whether received by you or by your dependent child,
114.8	Medicare Part B premium payments,
114.9	Medicare Part D extra help,
114.10	Energy or fuel assistance,
114.11	Social Security benefits,
114.12	Unemployment benefits,
114.13	Workers' compensation,
114.14	Veterans benefits.
114.15	Sending the creditor's attorney (or creditor, if no attorney) a copy of BANK
114.16	STATEMENTS that show what was in your account for the past 60 days may give the
114.17	creditor enough information about your exemption claim to avoid a garnishment.
114.18	2. Earnings
114.19	All or some of your earnings may be completely protected from garnishment if:
114.20	All of your earnings (wages) may be protected if:
114.21	You get government benefits (see list of government benefits)
114.22	You currently receive other assistance based on need
114.23	You have received government benefits in the last six months
114.24	You were in jail or prison in the last six months
114.25	Your wages are only protected for 60 days after they are deposited in your account so
114.26	it would be helpful if you immediately send the undersigned creditor a copy of BANK
114.27	STATEMENTS that show what was in your account for the past 60 days.
114.28	Some of your earnings (wages) may be protected if:

115.1	If all of your earnings are not exempt, some of your earnings may still be protected for
115.2	20 days after they were deposited in your account. The amount protected is the larger amount
115.3	of:
115.4	75 percent of your wages (after taxes are taken out); or
115.5	(insert the sum of the current federal minimum wage) multiplied by 40.
115.6	The money from the following are also exempt for 20 days after they are deposited
115.7	in your account.
115.8	An accident, disability, or retirement pension or annuity
115.9	Payments to you from a life insurance policy
115.10	Earnings of your child who is under 18 years of age
115.11	Child support
115.12	Money paid to you from a claim for damage or destruction of property. Property
115.13	includes household goods, farm tools or machinery, tools for your job, business equipment,
115.14	a mobile home, a car, a musical instrument, a pew or burial lot, clothes, furniture, or
115.15	appliances.
115.16	Death benefits paid to you.
115.17	YOU WILL BE ABLE TO CLAIM THESE EXEMPTIONS WHEN YOU
115.18	RECEIVE A NOTICE. You will get the notice at least ten days BEFORE a wage
115.19	garnishment. BUT if the creditor garnishes your bank account, you will not get the
115.20	notice until AFTER the account has been frozen. IF YOU BELIEVE THE MONEY
115.21	IN YOUR BANK ACCOUNT OR YOUR WAGES ARE EXEMPT, YOU SHOULD
115.22	IMMEDIATELY CONTACT THE PERSON BELOW. YOU SHOULD TELL THEM
115.23	WHY YOU THINK YOUR ACCOUNT OR WAGES ARE EXEMPT TO SEE IF
115.24	YOU CAN AVOID GARNISHMENT.
115.25	Creditor
115.26	Creditor address
115.27	Creditor telephone number
115.28	EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective August 1, 2024, and applies to exemption
115.29	notices provided on or after that date.

Sec. 70. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 571.911, is amended to read:

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# 571.911 EXEMPTION NOTICE; DUTY OF FINANCIAL INSTITUTION.

- (a) If the garnishment summons is used to garnish funds of a debtor who is a natural person and if the funds to be garnished are held on deposit at a financial institution, the creditor shall serve with the garnishee summons a notice, instructions, and two copies of an exemption notice. The notice, instructions, and exemption notices must be substantially in the forms set forth in section 571.912. Failure of the creditor to send the exemption notice renders the garnishment void, and the financial institution shall take no action.
- (b) Unless the total amount in the depository accounts under the debtor's name is less
  than the amount specified under section 550.37, subdivision 29, upon receipt of the
  garnishment summons and exemption notices, the financial institution shall retain as much
  of the amount under section 571.73 as the financial institution has on deposit owing to the
  debtor, but not more than 110 percent of the creditor's claim. If the amount in the account
  does not exceed the amount specified under section 550.37, subdivision 29, the bank must
  notify the creditor that no funds are retained.
- (c) If the creditor receives notice from the financial institution that no funds are retained, the creditor is prohibited from sending the notice under section 571.912.
- EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective August 1, 2024, and applies to causes of action commenced on or after that date.
- Sec. 71. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 571.914, subdivision 1, is amended to read:
- Subdivision 1. **Objections and request for hearing.** An objection shall be interposed, within six business days of receipt by the creditor of an exemption claim from the debtor, by mailing or delivering one copy of the Notice of Objection and Notice of Hearing to the financial institution and one copy of the Notice of Objection and Notice of Hearing to the debtor.
- 116.26 (a) The Notice of Objection and Notice of Hearing form must be substantially in the form set out in subdivision 2.
- (b) The court administrator may charge a fee of \$1 for the filing of a Notice of Objection and Notice of Hearing. Upon the filing of a Notice of Objection and Notice of Hearing, the court administrator shall schedule the matter for hearing no sooner than five business days but no later than seven business days from the date of filing. A debtor may request continuance of the hearing by notifying the creditor and the court. The court shall schedule the continued hearing within seven days of the original hearing date.

117.1 (c) An order stating whether the debtor's funds are exempt shall be issued by the court
within three days of the date of the hearing.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective August 1, 2024, and applies to causes
of action commenced on or after that date.

Sec. 72. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 571.92, is amended to read:

#### 571.92 GARNISHMENT OF EARNINGS.

- Sections 571.921 to 571.926 relate to the garnishment of earnings. The exemptions
  available under section 550.37 apply to the garnishment of earnings if the debtor is a resident
  of Minnesota and the debtor's place of employment is in Minnesota, regardless of where
  the employer is domiciled.
- EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective August 1, 2024, and applies to causes of action commenced on or after that date.
- Sec. 73. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 571.921, is amended to read:
- 117.14 **571.921 DEFINITIONS.**

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- For purposes of sections 571.921 to 571.926, the following terms have the meanings given them:
- 117.17 (a) "Earnings" means:
- (1) compensation paid or payable to an employee, independent contractor, or

  self-employed person for personal service whether denominated as wages, salary,

  commissions, bonus, payments, profit-sharing distribution, severance payment, fees, or

  otherwise, and includes periodic payments pursuant to a pension or retirement program;
- 117.22 (2) compensation paid or payable to the producer for the sale of agricultural products; 117.23 livestock or livestock products; milk or milk products; or fruit or other horticultural products 117.24 produced when the producer is operating a family farm, a family farm corporation, or an 117.25 authorized farm corporation, as defined in section 500.24, subdivision 2; or
- 117.26 (3) maintenance as defined in section 518.003, subdivision 3a.
- 117.27 (b) "Disposable earnings" means that part of the earnings of an individual remaining after the deduction from those earnings of amounts required by law to be withheld.
- (c) "Employee" means an individual who performs services subject to the right of the employer to control both what is done and how it is done, whether currently or formerly employed, who is owed earnings and who:

(1) is treated by an employer as an employee for federal employment tax purposes; or 118.1 (2) receives earnings from an employer through periodic payments and is not treated by 118.2 the employer as an employee for federal employment tax purposes. 118.3 118.4 (d) "Employer" means a person for whom an individual performs services as an employee 118.5 who owes or will owe earnings to an employee. **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2024, and applies to causes 118.6 118.7 of action commenced on or after that date. 118.8 Sec. 74. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 571.922, is amended to read: **571.922 LIMITATION ON WAGE GARNISHMENT.** 118.9 (a) Unless the judgment is for child support, the maximum part of the aggregate 118.10 disposable earnings of an individual for any pay period subjected to garnishment may not 118.11 exceed the lesser of: 118.12 (1) 25 percent of the debtor's disposable earnings, if the debtor's weekly income exceeds 118.13 120 times the greater of the hourly wage described in section 571.922, paragraph (a), clause 118.14 (4); or 118.15 118.16 (2) 15 percent of the debtor's disposable earnings, if the debtor's weekly income exceeds 80 times, but is less than or equal to 120 times, the greater of the hourly wages described 118.17 in section 571.922, paragraph (a), clause (4); or 118.18 118.19 (3) five percent of the debtor's disposable earnings, if the debtor's weekly income exceeds 40 times, but is less than or equal to 80 times, the greater of the hourly wages described in 118.20 section 571.922, paragraph (a), clause (4). 118.21 (b) The amount by which the debtor's disposable earnings exceed the greater of: 118.22 (i) (1) 40 times the hourly wage described in section 177.24, subdivision 1, paragraph 118.23 (b), clause (1), item (iii); or 118.24 (ii) (2) 40 times the federal minimum hourly wages prescribed by section 6(a)(1) of the 118.25 Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938, United States Code, title 29, section 206(a)(1). The 118.26 calculation of the amount that is subject to garnishment must be based on the hourly wage 118.27 in effect at the time the earnings are payable, times the number of work weeks in the pay 118.28 period. When a pay period consists of other than a whole number of work weeks, each day 118.29 of that pay period in excess of the number of completed work weeks shall be counted as a fraction of a work week equal to the number of excess workdays divided by the number of 118.31 days in the normal work week. 118.32

(b) (c) If the judgment is for child support, the garnishment may not exceed:

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- (1) 50 percent of the judgment debtor's disposable income, if the judgment debtor is supporting a spouse or dependent child and the judgment is 12 weeks old or less (12 weeks to be calculated to the beginning of the work week in which the execution levy is received);
- (2) 55 percent of the judgment debtor's disposable income, if the judgment debtor is supporting a spouse or dependent child, and the judgment is over 12 weeks old (12 weeks to be calculated to the beginning of the work week in which the garnishment summons is received);
- (3) 60 percent of the judgment debtor's disposable income, if the judgment debtor is not supporting a spouse or dependent child and the judgment is 12 weeks old or less (12 weeks 119.10 to be calculated to the beginning of the work week in which the execution levy is received); 119.11 119.12 **or**
- (4) 65 percent of the judgment debtor's disposable income, if the judgment debtor is not 119.13 supporting a spouse or dependent child, and the judgment is over 12 weeks old (12 weeks 119.14 to be calculated to the beginning of the work week in which the garnishment summons is 119.15 received). 119.16
- Wage garnishments on judgments for child support are effective until the judgments are 119.17 satisfied if the judgment creditor is a county and the employer is notified by the county 119.18 when the judgment is satisfied. 119.19
- (e) (d) No court may make, execute, or enforce an order or any process in violation of 119.20 this section. 119.21
- Sec. 75. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 571.924, subdivision 1, is amended to read: 119.22
- Subdivision 1. Requirement. The creditor shall serve upon the debtor, no less than ten 119.23 days before the service of the garnishment summons, a notice that a summons may be issued. 119.24 The notice shall: (1) be substantially in the form set out in section 571.925; (2) be served 119.25 personally, in the manner of a summons and complaint, or by first class mail to the last 119.26 known address of the debtor; (3) inform the debtor that a garnishment summons may be 119.27 served on the debtor's employer after ten days, and that the debtor may, within that time, 119.28 cause to be served on the creditor a signed statement under penalties of perjury asserting 119.29 an entitlement to an exemption from garnishment; (4) inform the debtor of the earnings 119.30 garnishment exemptions contained in section 550.37, subdivision 14; and (5) advise the 119.31 debtor of the relief set forth in this chapter to which the debtor may be entitled if a creditor 119.32 in bad faith disregards a valid claim and the fee, costs, and penalty that may be assessed 119.33

against a debtor who in bad faith falsely claims an exemption or in bad faith takes action 120.1 to frustrate the garnishment process; and (6) provide in type that is at least two points larger 120.2 than the body of the notice: (i) the date upon which the notice is mailed; (ii) a mailing 120.3 address and an email address for delivery of an exemption claim; and (iii) a telephone 120.4 number for the creditor's attorney or the creditor. 120.5 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2024, and applies to causes 120.6 of action commenced on or after that date. 120.7 Sec. 76. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 571.925, is amended to read: 120.8 571.925 FORM OF NOTICE. 120.9 120.10 The ten-day notice informing a debtor that a garnishment summons may be used to garnish the earnings of an individual must be substantially in the following form: 120.11 STATE OF MINNESOTA DISTRICT COURT 120.12 COUNTY OF ..... .....JUDICIAL DISTRICT 120.13 .....(Creditor) 120.14 120.15 against GARNISHMENT EXEMPTION 120.16 NOTICE AND NOTICE OF 120.17 .....(Debtor) INTENT TO GARNISH EARNINGS and 120.18 .....(Garnishee) 120.19 PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a garnishment summons or levy may be served upon 120.20 your employer or other third parties, without any further court proceedings or notice to you, 120.21 120.22 ten days or more from the date hereof. Some or all of your earnings are exempt from garnishment. If your earnings are garnished, your employer must show you how the amount 120.23 that is garnished from your earnings was calculated. You have the right to request a hearing 120.24 if you claim the garnishment is incorrect. 120.25 Your earnings are completely exempt from garnishment if you are now a recipient of 120.26 assistance based on need, if you have been a recipient of assistance based on need within 120.27 the last six months, or if you have been an inmate of a correctional institution in the last six 120.28 120.29 months. Assistance based on need includes, but is not limited to: 120.30 MFIP - Minnesota family investment program, 120.31 MFIP Diversionary Work Program, 120.32 Work participation cash benefit, 120.33

121.1	GA - general assistance,		
121.2	EA - emergency assistance,		
121.3	MA - medical assistance, whether received by you or by your dependent child,		
121.4	EGA - emergency general assistance,		
121.5	MSA - Minnesota supplemental aid,		
121.6	MSA-EA - MSA emergency assistance,		
121.7	Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP),		
121.8	SSI - Supplemental Security Income,		
121.9	MinnesotaCare, whether received by you or by your dependent child,		
121.10	Medicare Part B premium payments,		
121.11	Medicare Part D extra help,		
121.12	Energy or fuel assistance.		
121.13	If you wish to claim an exemption, you should fill out the appropriate form below, sig		
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121.15	You may wish to contact the attorney for the creditor in order to arrange for a settlemen		
121.16	of the debt or contact an attorney to advise you about exemptions or other rights.		
121.17	PENALTIES		
121.18	(1) Be advised that even if you claim an exemption, a garnishment summons may still		
121.19	be served on your employer. If your earnings are garnished after you claim an exemption		
121.20	you may petition the court for a determination of your exemption. If the court finds that		
121.21	the creditor disregarded your claim of exemption in bad faith, you will be entitled to		
121.22	costs, reasonable attorney fees, actual damages, and an amount not to exceed \$100.		
121.23	(2) HOWEVER, BE WARNED if you claim an exemption, the creditor can also petition		
121.24	the court for a determination of your exemption, and if the court finds that you claime		
121.25	an exemption in bad faith, you will be assessed costs and reasonable attorney's fees plu		
121.26	an amount not to exceed \$100.		
121.27	(3) If after receipt of this notice, you in bad faith take action to frustrate the garnishmen		
121.28	thus requiring the creditor to petition the court to resolve the problem, you will be liabl		
121.29	to the creditor for costs and reasonable attorney's fees plus an amount not to exceed		
121.30	\$100.		
121.31	Dated:		
121.32	(Attorney for) Creditor		
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121.34	Address		

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122.2	Telephone			
122.3	DEBTOR'S EXEMPTION CLAIM NOTICE			
122.4	I hereby claim that my earnings are exempt from garnishment because:			
122.5	(1) I am presently a recipient of relief based on need. (Specify the program, case number,			
122.6	and the county from which relief is being received.)			
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122.8	Program Case Number (	if known) County		
122.9	(2) I am not now receiving relief based on	need, but I have received relief based on need		
122.10	within the last six months. (Specify the pr	ogram, case number, and the county from		
122.11	which relief has been received.)			
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122.13	Program Case Number (	if known) County		
122.14	(3) I have been an inmate of a correctional institution within the last six months. (Specify			
122.15	the correctional institution and location.)			
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122.17	Correctional Institution	Location		
122.18	I hereby authorize any agency that has dis	tributed relief to me or any correctional		
122.19	institution in which I was an inmate to disclose	e to the above-named creditor or the creditor's		
122.20	attorney only whether or not I am or have bee	en a recipient of relief based on need or an		
122.21	inmate of a correctional institution within the	last six months. I have mailed or delivered a		
122.22	copy of this form to the creditor or creditor's	attorney.		
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122.24	Date	Debtor		
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122.28		Debtor Telephone Number		
122.29	STATE OF MINNESOTA	DISTRICT COURT		
122.30	COUNTY OF	JUDICIAL DISTRICT		
122.31	(Creditor)			
122.32	(Debtor)			
122.33	(Financial institution)			

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2024, and applies to notices 123.1 123.2 provided on or after that date. Sec. 77. GARNISHMENT FORMS REVISION. 123.3 (a) The attorney general must review and make recommendations to revise into plain 123.4 language the notices and forms found in Minnesota Statutes, sections 571.72, subdivisions 123.5 8 and 10; 571.74; 571.75, subdivision 2; 571.912; and 571.925. 123.6 (b) The attorney general must review and determine whether the forms contained in 123.7 Minnesota Statutes, sections 571.711, subdivision 11; 571.914; 571.931, subdivision 6; and 123.8 571.932, subdivision 2, should be revised into a more easily readable and understandable 123.9 format. If the attorney general determines the forms should be revised, the attorney general 123.10 123.11 must make recommendations for legislative revisions to the forms. (c) The recommendations made under paragraphs (a) and (b) must include proposals to 123.12 123.13 (1) explain in simple terms the meaning of garnishment in any form that uses the term garnishment, and (2) prominently place on forms the name, telephone, and email address 123.14 123.15 of the creditor. (d) When developing the recommendations, the attorney general must consult with the 123.16 Center for Plain Language and other plain language experts the attorney general may identify, 123.17 123.18 and must collaborate with the commissioner of commerce and affected business and consumer groups, including but not limited to: 123.19 123.20 (1) the Minnesota Creditors' Rights Association; (2) the Great Lakes Credit and Collections Association; 123.21 123.22 (3) the Minnesota Bankers' Association; (4) the Minnesota Credit Union Network; 123.23 (5) BankIn Minnesota; 123.24 (6) Mid-Minnesota Legal Aid; 123.25 (7) the Minnesota chapter of the National Association of Consumer Advocates; 123.26 123.27 (8) the Minnesota chapter of the National Association of Consumer Bankruptcy Attorneys; (9) Lutheran Social Service; and 123.28

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(10) Family Means.

124.1	(e) For the purposes of this section, "plain language" means communication in which
124.2	the wording, structure, and design are so clear that the intended reader can easily: (1) find
124.3	what they need; (2) understand what they need; and (3) use what they find to meet their
124.4	needs.
124.5	Sec. 78. RULEMAKING.
124.6	The commissioner of commerce must amend Minnesota Rules, part 2675.2170, to comply
124.7	with the changes made in this act. The commissioner of commerce may use the good cause
124.8	exemption under Minnesota Statutes, section 14.388, subdivision 1, clause (3), to amend
124.9	the rule under this section. Minnesota Statutes, section 14.386, does not apply, except as
124.10	provided under Minnesota Statutes, section 14.388.
124.11	Sec. 79. REPEALER.
124.12	Minnesota Statutes 2023 Supplement, section 332.71, subdivision 8, is repealed.
124.13	<b>EFFECTIVE DATE.</b> This section is effective January 1, 2025.
124.14	Sec. 80. REPEALER.
124.15	Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 58.08, subdivision 3, is repealed.
124.16	Sec. 81. EFFECTIVE DATE.
124.17	Sections 1 and 2 are effective August 1, 2024, and apply to loans executed on or after
124.18	that date.
124.19	ARTICLE 3
124.20	INSURANCE
124.21	Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 45.011, subdivision 1, is amended to read:
124.22	Subdivision 1. <b>Scope.</b> As used in chapters 45 to 80C, 80E to 83, 155A, 216C, 332, 332A,
124.23	332B, 345, and 359, and sections 81A.22 to 81A.37; 123A.21, subdivision 7, paragraph
124.24	(a), clause (23); 123A.25; 325D.30 to 325D.42; 326B.802 to 326B.885; 386.62 to 386.78;
124.25	471.617; and 471.982; and 513.80, unless the context indicates otherwise, the terms defined
124.26	in this section have the meanings given them.

125.1	Sec. 2. [60A.43] DISABILITY INCOME COVERAGE; DISCLOSURE.
125.2	(a) No contract or policy of long-term disability insurance that limits the duration of
125.3	coverage for mental health or substance use disorders shall be offered in this state without
125.4	a disclosure, provided at the time of application, that includes the following:
125.5	(1) a notification that the long-term disability coverage selected by the potential
125.6	policyholder or plan sponsor limits the duration of coverage for mental health or substance
125.7	use disorders; and
125.8	(2) that the potential policyholder or plan sponsor has the right to request more
125.9	information about the limitation and other coverage options that include an unlimited
125.10	duration, if available.
125.11	(b) Receipt of the disclosure described in paragraph (a) must be acknowledged by the
125.12	potential policyholder or plan sponsor and evidence of the disclosure and acknowledgment
125.13	must be retained by the insurance company offering such coverage for a period of no less
125.14	than two years.
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125.15	Sec. 3. [62Q.585] GENDER-AFFIRMING CARE COVERAGE; MEDICALLY
125.16	NECESSARY CARE.
125.17	Subdivision 1. Requirement. No health plan that covers physical or mental health
125.18	services may be offered, sold, issued, or renewed in this state that:
125.19	(1) excludes coverage for medically necessary gender-affirming care; or
125.20	(2) requires gender-affirming treatments to satisfy a definition of "medically necessary
125.21	care," "medical necessity," or any similar term that is more restrictive than the definition
125.22	provided in subdivision 2.
125.23	Subd. 2. Minimum definition. "Medically necessary care" means health care services
125.24	appropriate in terms of type, frequency, level, setting, and duration to the enrollee's diagnosis
125.25	or condition and diagnostic testing and preventive services. Medically necessary care must
125.26	be consistent with generally accepted practice parameters as determined by health care
125.27	providers in the same or similar general specialty as typically manages the condition,
125.28	procedure, or treatment at issue and must:
125.29	(1) help restore or maintain the enrollee's health; or
125.30	(2) prevent deterioration of the enrollee's condition.
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123.31	Subd. 3. Definitions. (a) For purposes of this section, the following terms have the

(b) "Gender affirming care" means all medical, surgical, counseling, or referral services, 126.1 including telehealth services, that an individual may receive to support and affirm the 126.2 126.3 individual's gender identity or gender expression and that are legal under the laws of this 126.4 state. 126.5 (c) "Health plan" has the meaning given in section 62Q.01, subdivision 3, but includes the coverages listed in section 62A.011, subdivision 3, clauses (7) and (10). 126.6 Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 65A.29, subdivision 7, is amended to read: 126.7 Subd. 7. Renewal; notice requirement. (a) No insurer shall refuse to renew, or reduce 126.8 limits of coverage, or eliminate any coverage in a homeowner's insurance policy unless it 126.9 mails or delivers to the insured, at the address shown in the policy, at least 60 days' advance 126.11 notice of its intention. The notice must contain the specific underwriting or other reason or reasons for the indicated action and must state the name of the insurer and the date the notice 126.12 is issued. 126.13 (b) For purposes of this section and any rules adopted pursuant to subdivision 8, 126.14 increasing or revising a homeowner's insurance policy deductible, including, but not limited 126.15 to, obligating a policyholder to pay a percentage of an insured loss as part of the deductible, 126.16 is not a refusal to renew, a reduction in coverage limits, or an elimination of coverage. 126.17 126.18 (c) Proof of mailing this notice to the insured at the address shown in the policy is sufficient proof that the notice required by this section has been given. 126.19 Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 65A.29, subdivision 8, is amended to read: 126.20 Subd. 8. Rules. (a) The commissioner may adopt rules pursuant to chapter 14, to specify 126.21 the grounds for nonrenewal, reduction in limits of coverage, or elimination of coverage of 126.22 a homeowner's policy. The rules must limit the grounds to the following factors: 126.23 (1) reasons stated for cancellation in section 65A.01, subdivision 3a; 126.24 (2) reasons stated in section 72A.20, subdivision 13; 126.25 (3) insured's loss experience, not to include including natural causes, which may include 126.26 but are not limited to lightning, rain, wind, and hail; and (4) other factors deemed reasonable by the commissioner. 126.28 The rules may give consideration to the form and content of the termination notice to 126.29 the insured, a statement as to what constitutes receipt of the termination notice, and the 126.30 procedure by which the insured may appeal a termination notice. 126.31

The rules adopted under this subdivision may provide for imposition of a monetary penalty not greater than \$500 per occurrence upon insurers who are found to be in violation of the law or the rules.

(b) In addition to any rules adopted under this subdivision, an insured may appeal any nonrenewal under this section to the commissioner of commerce. If the commissioner finds that the nonrenewal is unjustified, arbitrary, or capricious, the commissioner shall order the insurer to reinstate the insured's policy. The commissioner's order may be appealed pursuant to chapter 14. The insured's policy shall continue in force pending the conclusion of the appeal to the commissioner. The insurer must notify the insured of the insured's right to appeal the nonrenewal to the commissioner in the notice of nonrenewal required under subdivision 7.

### Sec. 6. [65A.3025] CONDOMINIUM AND TOWNHOUSE POLICIES;

### 127.13 COORDINATION OF BENEFITS FOR LOSS ASSESSMENT.

- Subdivision 1. **Definitions.** (a) For purposes of this section the following terms have the meanings given.
- (b) "Association" has the meaning given in section 515B.1-103, clause (4).
- (c) "Unit owner" has the meaning given in section 515B.1-103, clause (37).
- Subd. 2. Loss assessment. (a) If a loss assessment is charged by an association to an individual unit owner the insurance policy in force at the time of the assessable loss must pay the loss assessment, up to the limits provided in the policy, notwithstanding any policy provisions regarding when loss assessment coverage accrues, and subject to any other terms, conditions, and exclusions in the policy, if the following conditions are met:
- (1) the unit owner at the time of the assessable loss is the owner of the property listed on the policy at the time the loss assessment is charged; and
- 127.25 (2) if the insurance policy in force at the time of the assessable loss provides loss
  127.26 assessment coverage.
- (b) If a loss assessment is charged by an association to an individual unit owner the insurance policy in force at the time the loss assessment is charged must pay the assessment, up to the limits provided in the policy, notwithstanding any policy provisions regarding when loss assessment coverage accrues, and subject to any other terms, conditions, and exclusions in the policy, if the following conditions are met:

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(1) the unit owner at the time of the loss assessment is charged is different than the unit owner at the time of the assessable loss; and

- (2) the insurance policy in force at the time the loss assessment is charged provides loss assessment coverage.
- (c) For a loss assessment under paragraph (b), an insurer may require evidence
   documenting that the transfer of ownership occurred prior to the assessment before the
   insurer affords coverage.
- Sec. 7. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 70A.05, is amended to read:

#### 70A.05 RATING METHODS.

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- The compliance of rates with the standards of section 70A.04 shall be determined by considering the following matters:
- (1) **Factors in rates.** Due consideration shall be given to past and prospective loss and expense experience within and outside this state, to a reasonable provision for catastrophe hazards and contingencies, to clearly discernible trends within and outside this state, to dividends or savings allowed or returned by insurers to their policyholders, members or subscribers, and to all other relevant factors, including the judgment of underwriters and raters and, with respect to property and homeowners insurance, the impact of losses caused by natural causes, including but not limited to lightning, rain, wind, and hail.
- (2) Classification. Risks may be classified by any reasonable method for the establishment of rates and minimum premiums. Classifications may not be based on race, color, creed or national origin. Rates thus produced may be modified for individual risks in accordance with rating plans or schedules which establish standards for measuring probable variations in hazards, expenses, or both.
- 128.24 (3) **Profits.** The rates may contain an allowance permitting a profit that is not unreasonable.
- Sec. 8. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 72A.20, subdivision 13, is amended to read:
- Subd. 13. **Refusal to renew.** Refusing to renew, declining to offer or write, or charging differential rates for an equivalent amount of homeowner's insurance coverage, as defined by section 65A.27, for property located in a town or statutory or home rule charter city of the first class, in which the insurer offers to sell or writes homeowner's insurance, solely because:

- (a) of the geographic area in which the property is located;
- (b) of the age of the primary structure sought to be insured;

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- (c) the insured or prospective insured was denied coverage of the property by another insurer, whether by cancellation, nonrenewal or declination to offer coverage, for a reason other than those specified in section 65A.01, subdivision 3a, clauses (a) to (e);
  - (d) the property of the insured or prospective insured has been insured under the Minnesota FAIR Plan Act, shall constitute an unfair method of competition and an unfair and deceptive act or practice; or
- (e) the insured has inquired about coverage for a hypothetical claim or has made an inquiry to the insured's agent regarding a potential claim.

This subdivision prohibits an insurer from filing or charging different rates for different zip code areas within the same town or statutory or home rule charter city.

This subdivision shall not prohibit the insurer from applying underwriting or rating standards which the insurer applies generally in all other locations in the state and which are not specifically prohibited by clauses (a) to (e). Such underwriting or rating standards shall specifically include but not be limited to standards based upon the proximity of the insured property to an extraordinary hazard or based upon the quality or availability of fire protection services or based upon the density or concentration of the insurer's risks. Clause (b) shall not prohibit the use of rating standards based upon the age of the insured structure's plumbing, electrical, heating or cooling system or other part of the structure, the age of which affects the risk of loss. Any insurer's failure to comply with section 65A.29, subdivisions 2 to 4, either (1) by failing to give an insured or applicant the required notice or statement or (2) by failing to state specifically a bona fide underwriting or other reason for the refusal to write shall create a presumption that the insurer has violated this subdivision.

### Sec. 9. [332.3352] WAIVER OF LICENSING AND REGISTRATION.

The commissioner of commerce may, by order, waive the licensing and registration
requirements of this chapter for a nonresident collection agency and its affiliated collectors
if: (1) a written reciprocal licensing agreement is in effect between the commissioner and
the licensing officials of the collection agency's home state; and (2) the collection agency
is licensed in good standing in that state.

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130.1	Sec. 10. [513.80] RESIDENTIAL REAL ESTATE SERVICE AGREEMENTS;
130.2	UNFAIR SERVICE AGREEMENTS.
130.3	Subdivision 1. Definitions. (a) For purposes of this section, the following terms have
130.4	the meanings given.
130.5	(b) "County recorder" has the meaning given in section 13.045, subdivision 1.
130.6	(c) "Person" means natural persons, corporations both foreign and domestic, trusts,
130.7	partnerships both limited and general, incorporated or unincorporated associations,
130.8	companies, business entities, and any other legal entity or any other group associated in fac-
130.9	although not a legal entity or any agent, assignee, heir, employee, representative, or servan
130.10	thereof.
130.11	(d) "Record" or "recording" means placement of a document or instrument in the official
130.12	county public land records.
130.13	(e) "Residential real property" means real property that is located in Minnesota occupied
130.14	or intended to be occupied, by one to four families as their residence.
130.15	(f) "Service agreement" means a contract under which a person agrees to provide real
130.16	estate broker services as defined in section 82.55, subdivision 19, in connection with the
130.17	purchase or sale of residential real property.
130.18	(g) "Service provider" means an individual or entity that provides services to a person
130.19	pursuant to a service agreement.
130.20	Subd. 2. Unfair service agreements; prohibition. (a) A service agreement subject to
130.21	this section is unfair and prohibited if any part of the agreement provides an exclusive right
130.22	to a service provider for a term in excess of one year after the time the service agreement
130.23	is entered into and:
130.24	(1) purports to run with the land or to be binding on future owners of interests in the real
130.25	property;
130.26	(2) allows for assignment of the right to provide service without notice to and consent
130.27	of the residential real property's owner, including a contract for deed vendee;
130.28	(3) is recorded or purports to create a lien, encumbrance, or other real property security
130.29	interest; or
130.30	(4) contains a provision that purports to automatically renew the agreement upon its
130.31	expiration.
130.32	(b) The following are not unfair service agreements under this section:

131.1	(1) a home warranty or similar product that covers the cost of maintaining a major home
131.2	system or appliance for a fixed period;
131.3	(2) an insurance contract;
131.4	(3) a mortgage loan or a commitment to make or receive a mortgage loan;
131.5	(4) an option or right of refusal to purchase a residential real property;
131.6	(5) a declaration of any covenants, conditions, or restrictions created in the formation
131.7	of a homeowners association, a group of condominium owners, or other common interest
131.8	community or an amendment to the covenants, conditions, or restrictions;
131.9	(6) a maintenance or service agreement entered by a homeowners association in a
131.10	common interest community;
131.11	(7) a security agreement governed by chapter 336 that relates to the sale or rental of
131.12	personal property or fixtures; or
131.13	(8) a contract with a gas, water, sewer, electric, telephone, cable, or other utility service
131.14	provider.
131.15	(c) This section does not impair any lien right granted under Minnesota law or that is
131.16	judicially imposed.
131.17	Subd. 3. Recording prohibited. (a) A person is prohibited from:
131.18	(1) presenting or sending an unfair service agreement or notice or memorandum of an
131.19	unfair service agreement to any county recorder to record; or
131.20	(2) causing an unfair service agreement or notice or memorandum of an unfair service
131.21	agreement to be recorded by a county recorder.
131.22	(b) If a county recorder records an unfair service agreement, the county recorder does
131.23	not incur liability.
131.24	(c) If an unfair service agreement is recorded, the recording does not create a lien or
131.25	provide constructive notice to any third party, bona fide purchaser, or creditor.
131.26	Subd. 4. Unfair service agreements unenforceable. A service agreement that is unfair
131.27	under this section is unenforceable and does not create a contractual obligation or relationship.
131.28	Any waiver of a consumer right, including a right to trial by jury, in an unfair service
131.29	agreement is void.
131.30	Subd. 5. Unfair service agreements; solicitation. Encouraging any consumer to enter
131.31	into an unfair service agreement by any service provider constitutes:

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132.1	(1) an unfair method of competition; and
132.2	(2) an unfair or deceptive act or practice under section 82.81, subdivision 12, paragraph
132.3	(c), and section 325F.69.
132.4	Subd. 6. Enforcement authority. (a) This section may be enforced by the attorney
132.5	general under section 8.31, except that any private cause of action brought under subdivision
132.6	7 is subject to the limitation under subdivision 7, paragraph (d).
132.7	(b) The commissioner of commerce may enforce this section with respect to a service
132.8	provider's real estate license.
132.9	Subd. 7. Remedies. (a) A consumer that is party to an unfair service agreement related
132.10	to residential real property or a person with an interest in the property that is the subject of
132.11	that agreement may bring an action under section 8.31 or section 325F.70 in district court
132.12	in the county where the property is located.
132.13	(b) If an unfair service agreement or a notice or memorandum of an unfair service
132.14	agreement is recorded against any residential real property, any judgment obtained under
132.15	this section, after being certified by the clerk having custody of the unfair service agreement
132.16	or notice or memorandum of the unfair service agreement, may be recorded and indexed
132.17	against the real property encumbered or clouded by the unfair service agreement.
132.18	(c) The remedies provided under this section are not exclusive and do not reduce any
132.19	other rights or remedies a party may have in equity or in law.
132.20	(d) No private action may be brought under this section more than six years after the
132.21	date the term printed in the unfair service agreement expires.
132.22	Sec. 11. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 604.18, subdivision 1, is amended to read:
132.23	Subdivision 1. Terms. For purposes of this section, the following terms have the
132.24	meanings given them.
132.25	(a) "Insurance policy" means a written agreement between an insured and an insurer
132.26	that obligates an insurer to pay proceeds directly to an insured. Insurance policy does not
132.27	include provisions of a written agreement obligating an insurer to defend an insured,
132.28	reimburse an insured's defense expenses, provide for any other type of defense obligation,
132.29	or provide indemnification for judgments or settlements. Insurance policy does not include:
132.30	(1) coverage for workers' compensation insurance under chapter 176;
132.31	(2) a written agreement of a health carrier, as defined in section 62A.011, with the
132 32	exception of coverage that is limited to disability or income protection or a long-term care

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133.1	policy or insurance, as defined under sections 62A.46, subdivision 2, and 62S.01, subdivision
133.2	<u>18</u> ;
133.3	(3) a contract issued by a nonprofit health service plan corporation regulated under
133.4	chapter 62C that provides only dental coverage;
133.5	(4) a written agreement authorized under section 60A.06, subdivision 1, clause (4) or
133.6	(6), or 64B.16, subdivision 1; or
133.7	(5) a written agreement issued pursuant to section 67A.191.
133.8	(b) "Insured" means a person who, or an entity which, qualifies as an insured under the
133.9	terms of an insurance policy on which a claim for coverage is made. An insured does not
133.10	include any person or entity claiming a third-party beneficiary status under an insurance
133.11	policy.
133.12	(c) "Insurer" means every insurer, corporation, business trust, or association engaged in
133.13	insurance as a principal licensed or authorized to transact insurance under section 60A.06,
133.14	but for purposes of this section an insurer does not include a political subdivision providing
133.15	self-insurance or a pool of political subdivisions under section 471.981, subdivision 3. The
133.16	term does not include the Joint Underwriting Association operating under chapter 62F or
133.17	62I.
133.18	EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment and
133.19	applies to claims made or commenced under this section on or after that date.
133.20	Sec. 12. <u>REPEALER.</u>
133.21	Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 332.3351, is repealed.
133.22	ARTICLE 4
133.23	TELECOMMUNICATIONS POLICY
133.24	Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 116J.39, subdivision 1, is amended to read:
133.25	Subdivision 1. <b>Definitions.</b> (a) For the purposes of this section, the following terms have
133.26	the meanings given them.
133.27	(b) "Broadband" or "broadband service" means any a service providing advanced
133.28	telecommunications capability and that offers to a person or company high-speed Internet
133.29	access with transmission speeds that, at a minimum, meet the Federal Communications
133.30	Commission definition for broadband.

(c) "Local unit of government" has the meaning given in section 116G.03, subdivision 3.

- 134.3 (d) "Office" means the Office of Broadband Development established in subdivision 2, 134.4 paragraph (a).
- Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 116J.394, is amended to read:

### **116J.394 DEFINITIONS.**

- 134.7 (a) For the purposes of sections 116J.394 to 116J.398 116J.399, the following terms
  134.8 have the meanings given them.
- (b) "Broadband" or "broadband service" has the meaning given in section 116J.39, subdivision 1, paragraph (b).
- 134.11 (c) "Broadband infrastructure" means networks of deployed telecommunications
  134.12 equipment and technologies necessary to provide high-speed Internet access and other
  134.13 advanced telecommunications services for broadband to end users.
- (d) "Commissioner" means the commissioner of employment and economic development.
- (e) "Last-mile infrastructure" means broadband infrastructure that serves as the final leg connecting the broadband service provider's network to the end-use customer's on-premises telecommunications equipment.
- 134.18 (f) "Middle-mile infrastructure" means broadband infrastructure that links a broadband service provider's core network infrastructure to last-mile infrastructure.
- 134.20 (g) "Political subdivision" means any county, city, town, school district, special district 134.21 or other political subdivision, or public corporation.
- (h) "Underserved areas" means areas of Minnesota in which households or businesses lack access to wire-line broadband service at speeds of at least 100 megabits per second download and at least 20 megabits per second upload.
- 134.25 (i) "Unserved areas" means areas of Minnesota in which households or businesses lack 134.26 access to wire-line broadband service, as defined in section 116J.39.
- Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 116J.399, subdivision 1, is amended to read:
- Subdivision 1. **Definitions.** For the purposes of this section, the following terms have the meanings given:

(1) "broadband infrastructure" has the meaning given in section 116J.394, paragraph

135.2	<del>(c);</del>
135.3	(2) (1) "broadband service" has the meaning given in section 116J.394, paragraph (b)
135.4	116J.39, subdivision 1, paragraph (b); and
135.5	(3) (2) "provider" means a broadband service provider, but does not include an electric
135.6	cooperative association organized under chapter 308A that provides broadband service.
135.7	Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 116J.399, subdivision 8, is amended to read:
135.8	Subd. 8. Local governmental right-of-way management preserved. (a) The placement
135.9	of broadband infrastructure to provide broadband service under subdivisions 2 to $7:(1)$ is
135.10	subject to local government permitting and right-of-way management authority under section
135.11	237.163, franchising or other municipal authorization under subdivision 10; and (2) must
135.12	be coordinated with the relevant local government unit in order to minimize potential future
135.13	relocations. The provider must notify a local government unit prior to placing infrastructure
135.14	for broadband service in an easement that is in or adjacent to the local government unit's
135.15	public right-of-way.
135.16	(b) Nothing in this section applies to a public utility easement.
135.17	Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 116J.399, is amended by adding a subdivision
135.18	to read:
135.19	Subd. 10. Political subdivisions; franchise or municipal authorization. (a) A political
135.20	subdivision may require a provider furnishing broadband within the political subdivision
135.21	to obtain a franchise or other municipal authorization in accordance with the terms,
135.22	conditions, and limitations of the political subdivision's regulatory acts, including but not
135.23	limited to regulatory acts governing the placing of lines and facilities above ground or
135.24	underground.
135.25	(b) Pursuant to a franchise or other municipal authorization required under paragraph
135.26	(a), a political subdivision may require a provider to pay the political subdivision fees to
135.27	(1) raise revenue, (2) defray increased municipal costs that accrue as a result of right-of-way
135.28	occupation, or (3) both. The fee may include but is not limited to a sum of money based on
135.29	the gross operating revenues or gross earnings resulting from the provider's operations to
135.30	provide broadband within the political subdivision for the duration of time the provider
135.31	continues to operate within the political subdivision.

Sec. 6. Minnesota Statutes 2023 Supplement, section 222.37, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **Use requirements.** (a) Any water power, telegraph, telephone, <u>broadband</u>, pneumatic tube, pipeline, community antenna television, cable communications or electric light, heat, power company, entity that receives a route permit under chapter 216E for a high-voltage transmission line necessary to interconnect an electric power generating facility with transmission lines or associated facilities of an entity that directly, or through its members or agents, provides retail electric service in the state, or fire department may use public roads for the purpose of constructing, using, operating, and maintaining lines, subways, canals, conduits, transmission lines, hydrants, or dry hydrants, for their business, but such lines shall be so located as in no way to interfere with the safety and convenience of ordinary travel along or over the same; and, in the construction and maintenance of such line, subway, canal, conduit, transmission lines, hydrants, or dry hydrants, the entity shall be is subject to municipal franchising requirements under section 116J.399, subdivision 10, including compensation, as well as all reasonable regulations imposed by the governing body of any county, town or city in which such public road may be.

(b) If the governing body does not require the entity to obtain a <u>franchise or permit</u>, an entity shall notify the governing body of any county, town, or city having jurisdiction over a public road prior to the construction or major repair, involving extensive excavation on the road right-of-way, of the entity's equipment along, over, or under the public road, unless the governing body waives the notice requirement. A waiver of the notice requirement must be renewed on an annual basis.

(c) For emergency repair an entity shall notify the governing body as soon as practical after the repair is made.

(d) Nothing herein shall be construed to grant to any person any rights for the maintenance of to construct and maintain a telegraph, telephone, pneumatic tube, community antenna television system, system or network that provides telecommunications, broadband, cable communications system, or light, heat, power system, electric power generating system, high-voltage transmission line, or hydrant system, gas, electric, or other utility service within the corporate limits of any city until such the person shall have has obtained a franchise or other municipal authorization that grants the right to construct and maintain such the system within such the city or for a period beyond that for which the right to operate such the system is granted by such the city. Authority granted under this paragraph must be granted before the person provides the service. A company that provides multiple services to the public must obtain a franchise or specific municipal authorization to provide each service.

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Sec. 7. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 237.121, is amended to read:

<b>237.121 PROHIBITED</b>	PRACTICES.
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- 137.3 (a) A telephone company or telecommunications carrier may not do any of the following
  137.4 with respect to services regulated by the commission:
- 137.5 (1) upon request, fail to disclose in a timely and uniform manner information necessary 137.6 for the design of equipment and services that will meet the specifications for interconnection;
- 137.7 (2) intentionally impair the speed, quality, or efficiency of services, products, or facilities 137.8 offered to a consumer under a tariff, contract, or price list;
- (3) fail to provide a service, product, or facility to a consumer other than a telephone company or telecommunications carrier in accordance with its applicable tariffs, price lists, or contracts and with the commission's rules and orders;
- (4) refuse to provide a service, product, or facility to a telephone company or telecommunications carrier in accordance with its applicable tariffs, price lists, or contracts and with the commission's rules and orders;
- 137.15 (5) impose unreasonable or discriminatory restrictions on the resale of its services, 137.16 provided that:
- 137.17 (i) it may require that residential service may not be resold as a different class of service; 137.18 and
- 137.19 (ii) the commission may prohibit resale of services it has approved for provision for 137.20 not-for-profit entities at rates less than those offered to the general public; or
- 137.21 (6) provide telephone service to a person acting as a telephone company or 137.22 telecommunications carrier if the commission has ordered the telephone company or 137.23 telecommunications carrier to discontinue service to that person-; or
- 137.24 (7) upon cancellation of a service, refuse to provide a prorated refund of payment made 137.25 in advance by a customer.
- (b) A telephone company or telecommunications carrier may not violate a provision of sections 325F.692 and 325F.693, with regard to any of the services provided by the company or carrier.
- Sec. 8. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 237.162, subdivision 4, is amended to read:
- Subd. 4. **Telecommunications right-of-way user.** (a) "Telecommunications right-of-way user" means a person owning or controlling a facility in the public right-of-way, or seeking

to own or control a facility in the public right-of-way, that is used or is intended to be used for providing wireless service, or transporting to provide telecommunications or other voice or data information service.

- (b) For purposes of this section and section 237.163, telecommunications service does not include: (1) cable service, as defined under United States Code, title 47, section 522(6); or (2) broadband service, as defined under section 116J.39, subdivision 1.
- (b) (c) A cable communication system defined and regulated under chapter 238, and an entity that solely provides broadband services, as defined under section 116.39, subdivision 1, telecommunications activities related to providing natural gas or electric energy services, a public utility as defined in section 216B.02, a municipality, a municipal gas or power agency organized under chapter 453 or 453A, or a cooperative electric association organized under chapter 308A, are not telecommunications right-of-way users for the purposes of this section and section 237.163, except to the extent these entities are offering wireless services.
- Sec. 9. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 237.163, subdivision 2, is amended to read:
- Subd. 2. **Generally.** (a) Subject to this section, a telecommunications right-of-way user authorized to do business under the laws of this state or by license of the Federal Communications Commission may construct, maintain, and operate small wireless facilities, conduit, cable, switches, and related appurtenances and facilities along, across, upon, above, and under any public right-of-way.
  - (b) Subject to this section, a local government unit has the authority to <u>franchise and</u> manage its public rights-of-way, <u>receive compensation for use and occupancy</u>, and to recover its rights-of-way management costs. Except as provided in subdivisions 3a, 3b, and 3c, the authority defined in this section may be exercised at the option of the local government unit and is not mandated under this section. A local government unit may, by ordinance:
  - (1) require a telecommunications right-of-way user seeking to excavate or obstruct a public right-of-way for the purpose of providing telecommunications services to obtain a right-of-way permit to do so and to impose permit conditions consistent with the local government unit's management of the right-of-way;
- (2) require a telecommunications right-of-way user using, occupying, or seeking to use or occupy a public right-of-way for the purpose of providing telecommunications services to register with the local government unit by providing the local government unit with the following information:

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(i) the applicant's name, gopher state one-call registration number under section 216D.03, address, and telephone and facsimile numbers;

- (ii) the name, address, and telephone and facsimile numbers of the applicant's local representative;
- (iii) proof of adequate insurance; and

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- (iv) other information deemed reasonably necessary by the local government unit for 139.6 139.7 the efficient administration of the public right-of-way; and
- (3) require telecommunications right-of-way users to submit to the local government unit plans for construction and major maintenance that provide reasonable notice to the 139.9 local government unit of projects that the telecommunications right-of-way user expects to 139.10 undertake that may require excavation and obstruction of public rights-of-way. 139.11
- (c) A local government unit may also require a telecommunications right-of-way user that is registered with the local government unit pursuant to paragraph (b), clause (2), to 139.13 periodically update the information in its registration application.
- (d) Notwithstanding sections 394.34 and 462.355, or any other law, a local government 139.15 unit must not establish a moratorium with respect to: 139.16
- (1) filing, receiving, or processing applications for right-of-way or small wireless facility 139.17 permits; or 139.18
- (2) issuing or approving right-of-way or small wireless facility permits. 139.19
- (e) A telecommunications right-of-way user may place a new wireless support structure 139.20 or collocate small wireless facilities on wireless support structures located within a public 139.21 right-of-way, subject to the approval procedures under this section and, for collocation on 139.22 wireless support structures owned by a local government unit, the reasonable terms, 139.23 conditions, and rates set forth under this section. A local government unit may prohibit, 139.24 regulate, or charge a fee to install wireless support structures or to collocate small wireless facilities only as provided in this section. 139.26
- (f) The placement of small wireless facilities and wireless support structures to accommodate small wireless facilities are a permitted use in a public right-of-way, except that a local government unit may require a person to obtain a special or conditional land 139.29 use permit to install a new wireless support structure for the siting of a small wireless facility in a right-of-way in a district or area zoned for single-family residential use or within a 139.31 historic district established by federal or state law or city ordinance as of the date of 139.32 application for a small wireless facility permit. This paragraph does not apply to areas

outside a public right-of-way that are zoned and used exclusively for single-family residential

- Sec. 10. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 237.163, subdivision 6, is amended to read:
- Subd. 6. Fees. (a) In addition to franchise consideration, which may include compensation for use and occupancy, a local government unit may recover its right-of-way management costs by imposing a fee for registration, a fee for each right-of-way or small wireless facility permit, or, when appropriate, a fee applicable to a particular telecommunications right-of-way user when that user causes the local government unit to incur costs as a result of actions or inactions of that user. A local government unit may not recover costs from a telecommunications right-of-way user or an owner of a cable communications system awarded a franchise under chapter 238 caused by another entity's activity in the right-of-way.
- (b) Fees, or other right-of-way obligations, imposed by a local government unit on telecommunications right-of-way users under this section to recover right-of-way management costs must be:
- 140.15 (1) based on the actual costs incurred by the local government unit in managing the 140.16 public right-of-way;
  - (2) based on an allocation among all users of the public right-of-way, including the local government unit itself, which shall reflect the proportionate costs imposed on the local government unit by each of the various types of uses of the public rights-of-way;
- 140.20 (3) (1) imposed on a competitively neutral basis; and
- (4) (2) imposed in a manner so that aboveground uses of public rights-of-way do not 140.21 bear costs incurred by the local government unit to regulate underground uses of public 140.22 rights-of-way. 140.23
- (c) The rights, duties, and obligations regarding the use of the public right-of-way imposed under this section must be applied to all users of the public right-of-way, including 140.25 the local government unit while recognizing regulation must reflect the distinct engineering, 140.26 construction, operation, maintenance and public and worker safety requirements, and 140.27 standards applicable to various users of the public rights-of-way. For users subject to the 140.28 franchising authority of a local government unit, to the extent those rights, duties, and obligations are addressed in the terms of an applicable franchise agreement, the terms of the franchise shall prevail over any conflicting provision in an ordinance.
  - (d) A wireless service provider may collocate small wireless facilities on wireless support structures owned or controlled by a local government unit and located within the public

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roads or rights-of-way without being required to apply for or enter into any individual license, franchise, or other agreement with the local government unit or any other entity, other than a standard small wireless facility collocation agreement under subdivision 3a, paragraph (f), if the local unit of government elects to utilize such an agreement.

- (e) Any initial engineering survey and preparatory construction work associated with collocation must be paid by the cost causer in the form of a onetime, nonrecurring, commercially reasonable, nondiscriminatory, and competitively neutral charge to recover the costs associated with a proposed attachment.
- (f) Total application fees for a small wireless facility permit must comply with this subdivision with respect to costs related to the permit.
- 141.11 (g) A local government unit may elect to charge each small wireless facility attached to 141.12 a wireless support structure owned by the local government unit a fee, in addition to other 141.13 fees or charges allowed under this subdivision, consisting of:
- (1) up to \$150 per year for rent to occupy space on a wireless support structure;
- 141.15 (2) up to \$25 per year for maintenance associated with the space occupied on a wireless support structure; and
- 141.17 (3) a monthly fee for electricity used to operate a small wireless facility, if not purchased directly from a utility, at the rate of:
- (i) \$73 per radio node less than or equal to 100 max watts;
- (ii) \$182 per radio node over 100 max watts; or
- (iii) the actual costs of electricity, if the actual costs exceed the amount in item (i) or (ii).
- Sec. 11. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 237.163, subdivision 7, is amended to read:
- Subd. 7. **Additional right-of-way provisions.** (a) In managing the public rights-of-way and in imposing fees under this section, no local government unit may:
- (1) unlawfully discriminate among telecommunications right-of-way users;
- (2) grant a preference to any telecommunications right-of-way user; or
- 141.28 (3) create or erect any unreasonable requirement for entry to the public rights-of-way
  141.29 by telecommunications right-of-way users; or.
- 141.30 (4) require a telecommunications right-of-way user to obtain a franchise or pay for the
  141.31 use of the right-of-way.

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(b) A telecommunications right-of-way user need not apply for or obtain right-of-way permits for facilities that are located in public rights-of-way on May 10, 1997, for which the user has obtained the required consent of the local government unit, or that are otherwise lawfully occupying the public right-of-way. However, the telecommunications right-of-way user may be required to: (1) comply with all requirements imposed as allowed under this section; and (2) register and to obtain a right-of-way permit for an excavation or obstruction of existing facilities within the public right-of-way after May 10, 1997.

- (c) Data and documents exchanged between a local government unit and a telecommunications right-of-way user are subject to the terms of chapter 13. A local government unit not complying with this paragraph is subject to the penalties set forth in section 13.08.
- (d) A local government unit may not collect a fee imposed under this section through the provision of in-kind services by a telecommunications right-of-way user, nor may a local government unit require the provision of in-kind services as a condition of consent to use the local government unit's public right-of-way or to obtain a small wireless facility <del>permit.</del>
- (e) Except as provided in this chapter or required by federal law, a local government unit shall not adopt or enforce any regulation on the placement or operation of communications facilities in the right-of-way where the entity is already authorized to operate in the right-of-way, and shall not regulate or impose or collect fees on communications services except to the extent specifically provided for in the existing authorization, and unless expressly required by state or federal statute.

## Sec. 12. [237.185] MISSED REPAIR APPOINTMENTS; CREDIT.

Subdivision 1. Credit required; limitation; exception. (a) A local exchange carrier that schedules a repair appointment with a customer for any service, either to provide the 142.25 service directly or by contracting with a third party, must provide an immediate \$25 credit 142.26 to the customer if a repair technician fails to appear at the scheduled appointment time and 142.27 at the location where the repair is required. A customer is not required to request the 142.28 immediate credit. 142.29

(b) The immediate credit under paragraph (a) applies only if the customer, prior to the scheduled repair appointment, provides notice to the local exchange carrier that the customer's compromised health requires continued access to emergency services. The customer is not required to provide the local exchange carrier with medical documentation when providing notice under this paragraph.

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143.1	(c) The local exchange carrier is not required to provide an immediate credit if the local
143.2	exchange carrier (1) notifies the customer that a change in scheduling is necessary, and (2)
143.3	provides the notice to the customer at least 24 hours before the scheduled appointment.
143.4	Subd. 2. Notice. (a) A local exchange carrier must notify the local exchange carrier's
143.5	customers (1) of the right to an immediate credit for a missed repair appointment, and (2)
143.6	that a health notice from the customer must be on file in order for the customer to obtain
143.7	the immediate credit.
143.8	(b) The notice must be given to a new customer within 45 days of the date that service
143.9	to the customer is commenced and at least annually thereafter. The notice must be provided
143.10	in a writing labeled "NOTICE OF RIGHT TO IMMEDIATE CREDIT FOR MISSED
143.11	REPAIR APPOINTMENTS FOR CERTAIN HEALTH COMPROMISED CUSTOMERS."

143.13 Sec. 13. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 237.19, is amended to read:

#### 237.19 MUNICIPAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES.

The notification must be printed in a sufficient size so that it is clearly legible.

Any municipality shall have the right to own and operate a telephone exchange within its own borders, subject to the provisions of this chapter. It may construct such plant, or purchase an existing plant by agreement with the owner, or where it cannot agree with the owner on price, it may acquire an existing plant by condemnation, as hereinafter provided, but in no case shall a municipality construct or purchase such a plant or proceed to acquire an existing plant by condemnation until such action by it is authorized by a majority of the electors voting upon the proposition at a general election or a special election called for that purpose, and if the proposal is to construct a new exchange where an exchange already exists, it shall not be authorized to do so unless 65 percent of those voting thereon vote in favor of the undertaking. A municipality that owns and operates a telephone exchange may enter into a joint venture as a partner or shareholder with a telecommunications organization to provide telecommunications services within its service area.

# 143.27 Sec. 14. [325F.6945] INTERNET SERVICE PROVIDERS; PROHIBITED ACTIONS.

Subdivision 1. Definitions. (a) For purposes of this section, the following terms have the meanings given.

(b) "Broadband Internet access service" means:

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144.3	to transmit data to and receive data from all or substantially all Internet endpoints;
144.4	(2) any service that provides a functional equivalent of the service described in clause
144.5	(1); or
144.6	(3) any service that is used to evade the protections established under this section.
144.7	Broadband Internet access service includes a service that serves end users at fixed endpoints
144.8	using stationary equipment or end users using mobile stations, but does not include dial-up
144.9	Internet access service.
144.10	(c) "Edge provider" means any person or entity that provides:
144.11	(1) any content, application, or service over the Internet; or
144.12	(2) a device used to access any content, application, or service over the Internet.
144.13	Edge provider does not include a person or entity providing obscene material, as defined
144.14	<u>in section 617.241.</u>
144.15	(d) "Impairing or degrading lawful Internet traffic on the basis of Internet content,
144.16	application, or service, or use of a nonharmful device" means impairing or degrading any
144.17	of the following:
144.18	(1) particular content, applications, or services;
144.19	(2) particular classes of content, applications, or services;
144.20	(3) lawful Internet traffic to particular nonharmful devices; or
144.21	(4) lawful Internet traffic to particular classes of nonharmful devices.
144.22	Impairing or degrading lawful Internet traffic on the basis of Internet content, application,
144.23	or service, or use of a nonharmful device includes, without limitation, differentiating
144.24	positively or negatively between any of the following:
144.25	(i) particular content, applications, or services;
144.26	(ii) particular classes of content, applications, or services;
144.27	(iii) lawful Internet traffic to particular nonharmful devices; or
144.28	(iv) lawful Internet traffic to particular classes of nonharmful devices.
144.29	(e) "Internet service provider" means a business that provides broadband Internet access
144.30	service to a customer in Minnesota.

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145.1	(f) "Paid prioritization" means the management of an Internet service provider's network
145.2	to directly or indirectly favor some traffic over other traffic:
145.3	(1) in exchange for monetary or other consideration from a third party; or
145.4	(2) to benefit an affiliated entity.
145.5	(g) "Reasonable network management" means a network management practice that has
145.6	a primarily technical network-management justification, but does not include other business
145.7	practices, which is reasonable if it is primarily used for and tailored to achieving a legitimate
145.8	network-management purpose, taking into account the particular network architecture and
145.9	technology of the broadband Internet access service, and is as application-agnostic as
145.10	possible.
145.11	(h) "Zero-rating" means exempting some Internet traffic from a customer's data usage
145.12	allowance.
145.13	Subd. 2. Prohibited actions. An Internet service provider is prohibited from engaging
145.14	in any of the following activities with respect to any of the Internet service provider's
145.15	Minnesota customers:
145.16	(1) subject to reasonable network management, blocking lawful content, applications,
145.17	services, or nonharmful devices;
145.18	(2) subject to reasonable network management, impairing, impeding, or degrading lawful
145.19	Internet traffic on the basis of (i) Internet content, application, or service, or (ii) use of a
145.20	nonharmful device;
145.21	(3) engaging in paid prioritization;
145.22	(4) unreasonably interfering with or unreasonably disadvantaging:
145.23	(i) a customer's ability to select, access, and use broadband Internet service or lawful
145.24	Internet content, applications, services, or devices of the customer's choice; or
145.25	(ii) an edge provider's ability to provide lawful Internet content, applications, services,
145.26	or devices to a customer;
145.27	(5) engaging in deceptive or misleading marketing practices that misrepresent the
145.28	treatment of Internet traffic or content;
145.29	(6) engaging in zero-rating in exchange for consideration, monetary or otherwise, from
145.30	a third party; or

(7) zero-rating some Internet content, applications, services, or devices in a category of 146.1 Internet content, applications, services, or devices, but not the entire category. 146.2 146.3 Subd. 3. Exceptions. This section does not apply to software or applications sponsored by the federal government, a state government, or a federally recognized Tribal government 146.4 146.5 when the Internet service provider allows an advantage to customers for free or improved access, or data for access to government services and programs. 146.6 Subd. 4. Other laws. This section does not: (1) supersede any obligation or authorization 146.7 an Internet service provider may have to address the needs of emergency communications 146.8 or law enforcement, public safety, or national security authorities, consistent with or as 146.9 permitted by applicable law; or (2) limit the provider's ability to meet, address, or comply 146.10 with the needs identified in clause (1). 146.11 146.12 Subd. 5. **Enforcement.** A violation of subdivision 2 may be enforced by the commissioner of commerce under section 45.027. The venue for enforcement proceedings is Ramsey 146.13 146.14 County. Sec. 15. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 412.221, subdivision 6, is amended to read: 146.15 Subd. 6. **Public ways and grounds.** (a) The council shall have has the power to lay out, 146.16 open, change, widen or extend streets, alleys, parks, squares, and other public ways and 146.17 grounds and to grade, pave, repair, control, and maintain the same; to establish and maintain 146.18 drains, canals, and sewers; to alter, widen or straighten watercourses; to lay, repair, or 146.19 otherwise improve or discontinue sidewalks, paths, and crosswalks. 146.20 It shall have (b) The council has the power: (1) to franchise the occupants and users of 146.21 public right-of-way; (2) to receive compensation; and (3) by ordinance to regulate the use 146.22 of streets and other public grounds to the extent provided in other applicable law, to prevent 146.23 encumbrances or obstructions, and to require the owners or occupants of buildings and the 146.24 owners of vacant lots to remove any snow, ice, dirt, or rubbish from the sidewalks adjacent 146.25 thereto and in default thereof to cause such encumbrances, obstructions, or substances to 146.26 be removed and the cost to be assessed against the property as a special assessment. 146.27 Sec. 16. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 429.021, subdivision 1, is amended to read: 146.28 Subdivision 1. Improvements authorized. The council of a municipality shall have 146.29 power to make the following improvements: 146.30 (1) To acquire, open, and widen any street, and to improve the same by constructing, 146.31 reconstructing, and maintaining sidewalks, pavement, gutters, curbs, and vehicle parking 146.32

strips of any material, or by grading, graveling, oiling, or otherwise improving the same, including the beautification thereof and including storm sewers or other street drainage and connections from sewer, water, or similar mains to curb lines.

- (2) To acquire, develop, construct, reconstruct, extend, and maintain storm and sanitary sewers and systems, including outlets, holding areas and ponds, treatment plants, pumps, lift stations, service connections, and other appurtenances of a sewer system, within and without the corporate limits.
- 147.8 (3) To construct, reconstruct, extend, and maintain steam heating mains.
- 147.9 (4) To install, replace, extend, and maintain street lights and street lighting systems and special lighting systems.
- 147.11 (5) To acquire, improve, construct, reconstruct, extend, and maintain water works systems, 147.12 including mains, valves, hydrants, service connections, wells, pumps, reservoirs, tanks, 147.13 treatment plants, and other appurtenances of a water works system, within and without the 147.14 corporate limits.
- 147.15 (6) To acquire, improve and equip parks, open space areas, playgrounds, and recreational facilities within or without the corporate limits.
- 147.17 (7) To plant trees on streets and provide for their trimming, care, and removal.
- 147.18 (8) To abate nuisances and to drain swamps, marshes, and ponds on public or private property and to fill the same.
- 147.20 (9) To construct, reconstruct, extend, and maintain dikes and other flood control works.
- (10) To construct, reconstruct, extend, and maintain retaining walls and area walls.
- 147.22 (11) To acquire, construct, reconstruct, improve, alter, extend, operate, maintain, and promote a pedestrian skyway system. Such improvement may be made upon a petition pursuant to section 429.031, subdivision 3.
- 147.25 (12) To acquire, construct, reconstruct, extend, operate, maintain, and promote underground pedestrian concourses.
- 147.27 (13) To acquire, construct, improve, alter, extend, operate, maintain, and promote public malls, plazas or courtyards.
- 147.29 (14) To construct, reconstruct, extend, and maintain district heating systems.

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148.1	(15) To construct, reconstruct, alter, extend, operate, maintain, and promote fire protection
148.2	systems in existing buildings, but only upon a petition pursuant to section 429.031,
148.3	subdivision 3.
148.4	(16) To acquire, construct, reconstruct, improve, alter, extend, and maintain highway
148.5	sound barriers.
148.6	(17) To improve, construct, reconstruct, extend, and maintain gas and electric distribution
148.7	facilities owned by a municipal gas or electric utility.
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148.8	(18) To purchase, install, and maintain signs, posts, and other markers for addressing
148.9	related to the operation of enhanced 911 telephone service.
148.10	(19) To improve, construct, extend, and maintain facilities for Internet access and other
148.11	communications purposes, if the council finds that: provided that the municipality must:
148.12	(i) the facilities are necessary to make available Internet access or other communications
148.13	services that are not and will not be available through other providers or the private marke
148.14	in the reasonably foreseeable future; and
148.15	(ii) the service to be provided by the facilities will not compete with service provided
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148.17	(i) not discriminate in favor of the municipality's own communications facilities by
	granting the municipality more favorable or less burdensome terms and conditions than a
<ul><li>148.18</li><li>148.19</li></ul>	competitive service provider with respect to: (A) access and use of public rights-of-way;
148.20	(B) access and use of municipally owned or controlled conduit, towers, and utility poles;
148.21	and (C) permitting fees charged to access municipally owned and managed facilities;
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148.22	(ii) maintain separation between the municipality's role as a regulator over firms that
148.23	offer services in competition with the services offered by the municipality over the
148.24	municipality's communications service facilities, and the municipality's role as a competitive
148.25	provider of services over the municipality's communications service facilities; and
148.26	(iii) not share inside information between employees or contractors responsible for
148.27	executing the municipality's role as a regulator over firms that offer communications services
148.28	in competition with the communication services offered by the municipality, and employees
148.29	or contractors responsible for executing the municipality's role as a competitive
148.30	communications services provider.
148.31	(20) To assess affected property owners for all or a portion of the costs agreed to with
148.32	an electric utility, telecommunications carrier, or cable system operator to bury or alter a
148 33	new or existing distribution system within the public right-of-way that exceeds the utility's

design and construction standards, or those set by law, tariff, or franchise, but only upon petition under section 429.031, subdivision 3.

- (21) To assess affected property owners for repayment of voluntary energy improvement financings under section 216C.436, subdivision 7, or 216C.437, subdivision 28.
- 149.5 (22) To construct, reconstruct, alter, extend, operate, maintain, and promote energy 149.6 improvement projects in existing buildings, provided that:
- (i) a petition for the improvement is made by a property owner under section 429.031, subdivision 3;
  - (ii) the municipality funds and administers the energy improvement project;
- (iii) project funds are only used for the installation of improvements to heating, ventilation, and air conditioning equipment and building envelope and for the installation of renewable energy systems;
- 149.13 (iv) each property owner petitioning for the improvement receives notice that free or 149.14 low-cost energy improvements may be available under federal, state, or utility programs;
- 149.15 (v) for energy improvement projects on residential property, only residential property
  149.16 having five or more units may obtain financing for projects under this clause; and
- (vi) prior to financing an energy improvement project or imposing an assessment for a project, written notice is provided to the mortgage lender of any mortgage encumbering or otherwise secured by the property proposed to be improved.

149.20 **ARTICLE 5**149.21 **LIQUOR** 

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 340A.404, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **Special provision; city of Minneapolis.** (a) The city of Minneapolis may issue an on-sale intoxicating liquor license to the Guthrie Theater, the Cricket Theatre, the Orpheum Theatre, the State Theatre, and the Historic Pantages Theatre, notwithstanding the limitations of law, or local ordinance, or charter provision relating to zoning or school or church distances. The licenses authorize sales on all days of the week to holders of tickets for performances presented by the theaters and to members of the nonprofit corporations holding the licenses and to their guests.

(b) The city of Minneapolis may issue an intoxicating liquor license to 510 Groveland Associates, a Minnesota cooperative, for use by a restaurant on the premises owned by 510

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Groveland Associates, notwithstanding limitations of law, or local ordinance, or charter provision.

- (c) The city of Minneapolis may issue an on-sale intoxicating liquor license to Zuhrah Shrine Temple for use on the premises owned by Zuhrah Shrine Temple at 2540 Park Avenue South in Minneapolis, notwithstanding limitations of law, or local ordinances, or charter provision relating to zoning or school or church distances.
- (d) The city of Minneapolis may issue an on-sale intoxicating liquor license to the American Association of University Women, Minneapolis branch, for use on the premises owned by the American Association of University Women, Minneapolis branch, at 2115 Stevens Avenue South in Minneapolis, notwithstanding limitations of law, or local ordinances, or charter provisions relating to zoning or school or church distances.
- (e) The city of Minneapolis may issue an on-sale wine license and an on-sale 3.2 percent malt liquor license to a restaurant located at 5000 Penn Avenue South, and an on-sale wine license and an on-sale malt liquor license to a restaurant located at 1931 Nicollet Avenue South, notwithstanding any law or local ordinance or charter provision.
- (f) The city of Minneapolis may issue an on-sale wine license and an on-sale malt liquor license to the Brave New Workshop Theatre located at 3001 Hennepin Avenue South, the Theatre de la Jeune Lune, the Illusion Theatre located at 528 Hennepin Avenue South, the Hollywood Theatre located at 2815 Johnson Street Northeast, the Loring Playhouse located at 1633 Hennepin Avenue South, the Jungle Theater located at 2951 Lyndale Avenue South, Brave New Institute located at 2605 Hennepin Avenue South, the Guthrie Lab located at 700 North First Street, and the Southern Theatre located at 1420 Washington Avenue South, notwithstanding any law or local ordinance or charter provision. The license authorizes sales on all days of the week.
- (g) The city of Minneapolis may issue an on-sale intoxicating liquor license to University
  Gateway Corporation, a Minnesota nonprofit corporation, for use by a restaurant or catering
  operator at the building owned and operated by the University Gateway Corporation on the
  University of Minnesota campus, notwithstanding limitations of law, or local ordinance or
  charter provision. The license authorizes sales on all days of the week.
- (h) The city of Minneapolis may issue an on-sale intoxicating liquor license to the Walker
  Art Center's concessionaire or operator, for a restaurant and catering operator on the premises
  of the Walker Art Center, notwithstanding limitations of law, or local ordinance or charter
  provisions. The license authorizes sales on all days of the week.

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(i) The city of Minneapolis may issue an on-sale intoxicating liquor license to the Guthrie Theater's concessionaire or operator for a restaurant and catering operator on the premises of the Guthrie Theater, notwithstanding limitations of law, local ordinance, or charter provisions. The license authorizes sales on all days of the week.

- (j) The city of Minneapolis may issue an on-sale wine license and an on-sale malt liquor license to the Minnesota Book and Literary Arts Building, Inc.'s concessionaire or operator for a restaurant and catering operator on the premises of the Minnesota Book and Literary Arts Building, Inc. (dba Open Book), notwithstanding limitations of law, or local ordinance or charter provision. The license authorizes sales on all days of the week.
- (k) The city of Minneapolis may issue an on-sale intoxicating liquor license to a restaurant located at 5411 Penn Avenue South, notwithstanding any law or local ordinance or charter provision.
- (l) The city of Minneapolis may issue an on-sale intoxicating liquor license to the Museum of Russian Art's concessionaire or operator for a restaurant and catering operator on the premises of the Museum of Russian Art located at 5500 Stevens Avenue South, notwithstanding any law or local ordinance or charter provision.
- (m) The city of Minneapolis may issue an on-sale intoxicating liquor license to the
  American Swedish Institute or to its concessionaire or operator for use on the premises
  owned by the American Swedish Institute at 2600 Park Avenue South, notwithstanding
  limitations of law, or local ordinances, or charter provision relating to zoning or school or
  church distances.
- (n) Notwithstanding any other law, local ordinance, or charter provision, the city of 151.22 Minneapolis may issue one or more on-sale intoxicating liquor licenses to the Minneapolis 151.23 Society of Fine Arts (dba Minneapolis Institute of Arts), or to an entity holding a concessions 151.24 or catering contract with the Minneapolis Institute of Arts for use on the premises of the 151.25 Minneapolis Institute of Arts. The licenses authorized by this subdivision may be issued 151.26 for space that is not compact and contiguous, provided that all such space is included in the 151.27 description of the licensed premises on the approved license application. The licenses 151.28 authorize sales on all days of the week. 151.29
- (o) The city of Minneapolis may issue an on-sale intoxicating liquor license to Norway
  House or to its concessionaire or operator for use on the premises owned by Norway House
  at 913 East Franklin Avenue, notwithstanding limitations of law, or local ordinances, or
  charter provision relating to zoning or school or church distances.

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152.1	(p) Notwithstanding any other law, including section 340A.504, subdivision 3, relating
152.2	to seating requirements, local ordinance, or charter provision, the city of Minneapolis may
152.3	issue one or more on-sale intoxicating liquor licenses to any entity holding a concessions
152.4	or catering contract with the Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board for use on the
152.5	Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board premises of the Downtown Commons Park, the
152.6	Minneapolis Sculpture Garden, or at Boom Island Park. The licenses authorized by this
152.7	subdivision may be used for space specified within the park property, provided all such
152.8	space is included in the description of the licensed premises on the approved license
152.9	application. The licenses authorize sales on the dates on the approved license application.
152.10	<b>EFFECTIVE DATE.</b> This section is effective upon approval by the Minneapolis City
152.11	Council and compliance with Minnesota Statutes, section 645.021.
152.12	Sec. 2. SPECIAL LIQUOR LAW; CITY OF LITCHFIELD.
152.13	Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section 624.701, the city of Litchfield may issue
152.14	an on-sale license under Minnesota Statutes, section 340A.404, subdivision 1, paragraph
152.15	(d), for sales at town ball games played at a ballpark on school grounds, provided that the
152.16	board of Independent School District No. 465, Litchfield, adopts a resolution approving the
152.17	issuance of the license. The provisions of Minnesota Statutes, section 624.701, do not apply
152.18	to the school grounds or buildings for a license issued under this section.
152.19	<b>EFFECTIVE DATE.</b> This section is effective upon approval by the Litchfield City
152.20	Council and compliance with Minnesota Statutes, section 645.021.
152.21	Sec. 3. SPECIAL LIQUOR LAW; CITY OF WATKINS.
152.22	Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section 624.701, the city of Watkins may issue an
152.23	on-sale license under Minnesota Statutes, section 340A.404, subdivision 1, paragraph (d),
152.24	for sales at town ball games played at a ballpark on school grounds, provided the board of
152.25	Independent School District No. 463, Eden Valley-Watkins, adopts a resolution approving
152.26	the issuance of the license. The provisions of Minnesota Statutes, section 624.701, do not
152.27	apply to the school grounds or buildings for a license issued under this section.
152.28	<b>EFFECTIVE DATE.</b> This section is effective upon approval by the Watkins City
152.29	Council and compliance with Minnesota Statutes, section 645.021.
152.30	Sec. 4. SPORTS AND EVENT CENTER LICENSE; EAGAN.
152.31	Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, chapter 340A, or any other local law or ordinance

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152.32 to the contrary, the city of Eagan may issue up to three on-sale intoxicating liquor licenses

153.1 to the owner of a multiuse sports and event center located on property in the city of Eagan, legally described as Outlot A, Viking Lakes 3rd Addition, or as may be described hereafter 153.2 due to subdivision or replatting, or to any facility operator, concessionaire, catering operator, 153.3 or other third-party food and beverage vendor for the center under contract with the owner. 153.4 A license issued under this section may be issued for a space that is not compact and 153.5 contiguous, provided that the licensed premises shall only be the space described in the 153.6 approved license. A license issued under this section authorizes sales on all days of the 153.7 week. The provisions of Minnesota Statutes, chapter 340A, not inconsistent with this section, 153.8 apply to a license issued under this section. 153.9 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective upon approval by the Eagan City Council 153.10 and compliance with Minnesota Statutes, section 645.021." 153.11

153.12 Amend the title accordingly