

**HF4738 - 0 - Office of Emergency Medical Services Created**

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 Lead Agency: **Emergency Medical Services Office -Proposed**  
 Other Agencies:  
     Administration Dept                      Emergency Medical Services Bd  
     Governors Office                         Indian Affairs Council  
     Legislature

State Fiscal Impact	Yes	No
Expenditures	X	
Fee/Departmental Earnings		X
Tax Revenue		X
Information Technology		X
Local Fiscal Impact		X

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State Cost (Savings)	Biennium			Biennium		
	Dollars in Thousands	FY2023	FY2024	FY2025	FY2026	FY2027
<b>Governors Office</b>	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>General Fund</b>	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Legislature</b>						
<b>General Fund</b>	-	-	-	2	1	
<b>State Total</b>						
<b>General Fund</b>	-	-	-	2	1	
<b>Total</b>	-	-	-	2	1	
<b>Biennial Total</b>			-			3

Full Time Equivalent Positions (FTE)	Biennium			Biennium	
	FY2023	FY2024	FY2025	FY2026	FY2027
Governors Office	-	-	-	-	-
General Fund	-	-	-	-	-
Legislature					
General Fund	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total</b>	-	-	-	-	-

**Lead LBO Analyst's Comment**

I have reviewed this fiscal note for reasonableness of content and consistency with the LBO's Uniform Standards and Procedures.

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**State Cost (Savings) Calculation Details**

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Dollars in Thousands	FY2023	FY2024	FY2025	FY2026	FY2027
Governors Office	-	-	-	-	-
General Fund	-	-	-	-	-
Legislature					
General Fund	-	-	-	2	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Biennial Total</b>			<b>-</b>		<b>3</b>
<b>1 - Expenditures, Absorbed Costs*, Transfers Out*</b>					
Governors Office	-	-	-	-	-
General Fund					
Expenditures	-	-	1	-	-
Absorbed Costs	-	-	(1)	-	-
Legislature					
General Fund	-	-	-	2	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Biennial Total</b>			<b>-</b>		<b>3</b>
<b>2 - Revenues, Transfers In*</b>					
Governors Office	-	-	-	-	-
General Fund	-	-	-	-	-
Legislature					
General Fund	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Biennial Total</b>			<b>-</b>		<b>-</b>

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Information Technology		X
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<b>Total</b>	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Biennial Total</b>			-			-

Full Time Equivalent Positions (FTE)	Biennium			Biennium		
		FY2023	FY2024	FY2025	FY2026	FY2027
<b>Total</b>	-	-	-	-	-	-

**LBO Analyst's Comment**

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<b>Total</b>	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Biennial Total</b>			-			-
<b>2 - Revenues, Transfers In*</b>						
<b>Total</b>	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Biennial Total</b>			-			-

**Bill Description**

**Article 1, sections 1-3** make conforming changes to M.S. 144E.001 to define the Emergency Medical Services Advisory Council (Council), the Office of Emergency Medical Services (Office), and the director of the office. These sections are effective January 1, 2025.

**Article 1, section 4** establishes the Office, effective January 1, 2025.

- Subdivision 1 establishes and states the mission of the Office.
- Subdivision 2 specifies the governor shall appoint a director for the Office with the advice and consent of the senate.
- Subdivision 3 enumerates the duties of the director.
- Subdivision 4 states that the director may employ personnel in the classified service and unclassified personnel as necessary to carry out Office duties.
- Subdivision 5 states the director must prepare a work plan to guide the Office and update said plan biennially.

**Article 1, section 5** establishes the Council, defines membership, appointing bodies, terms, compensation, election of officers, meeting frequency requirements, and duties. This section is effective January 1, 2025.

**Article 1, section 6** establishes the Emergency Medical Services Physician Advisory Committee (Committee) as a standing committee of the Council and defines membership, appointing bodies, terms, compensation, election of officers, meeting frequency requirements, and duties. This section is effective January 1, 2025.

**Article 1, sections 7-14** make conforming changes to M.S. 144E to replace references to the Emergency Services Regulatory Board (Board) with references to the Office director. Section 9 adds a clause 13 to M.S. 144E.27, subdivision 5 that stipulates the director may deny, suspend, revoke, place conditions on, or refuse to renew the registration of an individual if the director determines the individual has failed to engage in or violated the terms of the health professional services program or diversion program required under section 144E.287 after being referred to the program. These sections are effective January 1, 2025.

**Article 1, section 15** states that initial Council member appointments must be made by January 1, 2025. The terms of initial appointees are determined by lot; six members serving two-year terms and seven members serving three-year terms. The medical director appointee must convene the first Council meeting by February 1, 2025.

**Article 1, section 16** states that initial Committee member appointments must be made by January 1, 2025. The terms of initial appointees are determined by lot; five members serving two-year terms and five members serving three-year terms. The term for the medical director appointee coincides with that member's term on the Council. The medical director appointee must convene the first Committee meeting by February 1, 2025.

**Article 1, section 17** directs the transfer of responsibilities from the Board to the Office. Effective January 1, 2025, the responsibilities to regulate emergency medical services under M.S. chapter 144 E and Minnesota Rules, chapter 4690 are transferred from the Board to the Office. M.S. 15.039 applies to the transfer of responsibilities. The commissioner of

administration with approval of the governor may issue reorganization orders under M.S. 16B.37.

**Article 1, section 18** instructs the revisor of statutes to make certain conforming changes.

**Article 1, section 19** repeals the Board as established in M.S. 144E.

**Article 2** makes conforming statute changes. Section 1 adds the Director of the Office of Emergency Medical Services to the list of positions determined by the Compensation Council under M.S. section 15A.082. This section is effective January 1, 2025.

## **Assumptions**

### **Office of Emergency Medical Services**

It is assumed that all of the duties and responsibilities of the Board will be transferred to the Office on January 1, 2025.

It is assumed that the Board will cease to meet after January 1, 2025, and that all board member-related costs such as travel expenses and per diems will no longer be incurred. This cost reduction is offset by compensation and reimbursements for Advisory Council and Committee members (discussed further below).

It is assumed that the duties of the director enumerated in article 1, section 4, subdivision 3 align with the duties and services currently provided by the Emergency Medical Services Regulatory Board. It is assumed that bill language does not imply or intend additional Office duties, services, or staffing beyond what is currently assigned to the Board.

It is assumed that pursuant to M.S. 15.039, all classified and unclassified positions associated with the responsibilities being transferred are transferred with their incumbents to the new Office. It is assumed that the authority to appoint a director will pass from the Board to the governor effective January 1, 2025. Because the current executive director position is compensated similarly to Group I agency heads, it is assumed that the governor-appointed Office director will be compensated at the same rate as the current Board-appointed executive director.

It is assumed that the governor will appoint a director-designee as specified in article 1, section 4 by October 1, 2024, and the appointment will become effective January 1, 2025.

It is assumed that all amounts currently appropriated to the Board are appropriated to the Office effective January 1, 2025.

### **Emergency Medical Services Advisory Council**

It is assumed that Council appointments will be completed by January 1, 2025. It is assumed the Council is comprised of 11 public members and 2 legislator members as specified in bill language.

It is assumed that the Council will meet at least quarterly beginning in February 2025.

It is assumed that legislative member costs are shown on a separate fiscal note prepared by the Legislative Coordinating Commission.

It is assumed that the Council will use the meeting space currently used by the Board.

It is assumed that current Board staff will facilitate Council meetings in lieu of facilitating Board meetings.

It is assumed that Council members will be compensated as provided in Minnesota Statutes 15.059 (Advisory Councils and Committees).

### **Emergency Medical Services Physician Advisory Council**

It is assumed that Committee appointments will be completed by January 1, 2025. It is assumed the Committee is comprised of 11 members as specified in bill language.

It is assumed that the Committee will meet a minimum of two times per year beginning in February 2025.

It is assumed that the Committee will use the meeting space currently used by the Board.

It is assumed that current Board staff will facilitate Committee meetings in lieu of facilitating Board meetings.

It is assumed that Committee members will be compensated as provided in Minnesota Statutes 15.059 (Advisory Councils and Committees)

**Expenditure and/or Revenue Formula**

Current Board member costs and proposed Council/Committee member costs are assumed to offset based on a four-year average of member costs provided by Board staff and an estimate of Council/Committee member costs based on M.S. 15.059 developed by Legislative Budget Office (LBO) staff. For reference, the current Board meets monthly and includes 15 public members, two agency heads, and two legislative members. The Council is assumed to meet a minimum of four times per year and includes 11 public members and 2 legislative members. The Committee is assumed to meet a minimum of two times per year and includes 11 public members. Compensation and reimbursement terms are similar for current and proposed entities. Depending on Council/Committee compensation and reimbursement claim rates, there may be a slight cost or savings difference between the current Board and proposed Council/Committee.

Because the current executive director position is compensated similarly to Group I agency heads, it is assumed that the governor-appointed Office director will be compensated at the same rate as the current Board-appointed executive director. Thus, the fiscal note assumes zero net cost.

**Long-Term Fiscal Considerations**

N/A

**Local Fiscal Impact**

N/A

**References/Sources**

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Minnesota Statutes 15.039, Effect of Transfer of Powers Among Agencies, available online at: <https://www.revisor.mn.gov/statutes/cite/15.039>.

Minnesota Statutes 16B.37, Reorganization of Agencies, available online at: <https://www.revisor.mn.gov/statutes/cite/16B.37>.

Commissioner's Plan, [https://mn.gov/mmb-stat/000/az/labor-relations/commissioners-plan/contract/Commissioners%20Plan%2023-25%20-%20clean%20copy\\_amended%202.23.pdf](https://mn.gov/mmb-stat/000/az/labor-relations/commissioners-plan/contract/Commissioners%20Plan%2023-25%20-%20clean%20copy_amended%202.23.pdf).

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Minnesota Management and Budget, Agency Head Current Salaries January 1, 2024, <https://mn.gov/mmb-stat/documents/agency-head-salary-limits/agency-head-pay-rates-january-2024.pdf>.

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State Fiscal Impact	Yes	No
Expenditures		X
Fee/Departmental Earnings		X
Tax Revenue		X
Information Technology		X
Local Fiscal Impact		X

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<b>Total</b>	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Biennial Total</b>			-			-

Full Time Equivalent Positions (FTE)	Biennium			Biennium		
		FY2023	FY2024	FY2025	FY2026	FY2027
<b>Total</b>	-	-	-	-	-	-

**LBO Analyst's Comment**

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<b>Biennial Total</b>			-			-
<b>1 - Expenditures, Absorbed Costs*, Transfers Out*</b>						
<b>Total</b>	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Biennial Total</b>			-			-
<b>2 - Revenues, Transfers In*</b>						
<b>Total</b>	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Biennial Total</b>			-			-

**Bill Description**

Establishes the Office of Emergency Medical Services to replace the Emergency Medical Services Regulatory Board (EMSRB). Meetings of the Emergency Medical Services Advisory Council are subject to the Minnesota Open Meeting Law, chapter 13D.

Under article 1, section 17 (Transition), the commissioner of administration, with the approval of the governor, may issue reorganization orders under Minnesota Statutes, section 16B.37, as necessary to carry out the transfer of responsibilities required by this act. The provision of Minnesota Statutes, section 16B.37, subdivision 1, which states that transfers under that section may be made only to an agency that has been in existence for at least one year, does not apply to transfers in this act to the Office of Emergency Medical Services.

**Assumptions**

Subjecting government public bodies to the Open Meeting Law does not provide a fiscal impact to the Department of Administration (Admin).

The designated tasks in article 1, section 17 are consistent with Admin’s statutorily assigned duties. Assuming that any entities involved provide the necessary information for the reorganization orders, the department could draft and issue the orders with negligible incremental cost to be absorbed by Admin.

Admin will work with the senior leadership of the EMSRB to incorporate any necessary provisions (financial, personnel, administrative, contractual) in the transfer agreement. Admin will also work with the EMSRB to ensure any existing contractual agreements are addressed in the transfer agreement. To the extent there is an appropriation, or part of any appropriation, that needs to be included in the transfer agreement, Admin will work with MMB to determine that amount and the statutory citation or legislative appropriation and include that in the agreement.

**Expenditure and/or Revenue Formula**

**Long-Term Fiscal Considerations**

**Local Fiscal Impact**

**References/Sources**

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 Agency: **Emergency Medical Services Bd**

State Fiscal Impact	Yes	No
Expenditures		X
Fee/Departmental Earnings		X
Tax Revenue		X
Information Technology		X
Local Fiscal Impact		X

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<b>Total</b>	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Biennial Total</b>			-			-

Full Time Equivalent Positions (FTE)	Biennium			Biennium		
		FY2023	FY2024	FY2025	FY2026	FY2027
<b>Total</b>	-	-	-	-	-	-

**LBO Analyst's Comment**

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<b>Biennial Total</b>			-			-
<b>1 - Expenditures, Absorbed Costs*, Transfers Out*</b>						
<b>Total</b>	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Biennial Total</b>			-			-
<b>2 - Revenues, Transfers In*</b>						
<b>Total</b>	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Biennial Total</b>			-			-

**Bill Description**

This bill would create a new state Office of Emergency Medical Services. It would transfer all existing duties and responsibilities from the existing Emergency Medical Services Regulatory Board to the newly created Office of Emergency Medical Services to be effective on January 1, 2025. This office would be operated under an office director as appointed by the Governor.

**Assumptions**

This analysis assumes that the agency transfer would take place in accordance with the provisions of M.S.15.039 as highlighted in the bill and that all assets funding and personnel would be transferred to the newly created Office as would all existing obligations including existing grants, contracts and obligations.

**Expenditure and/or Revenue Formula**

The bill identifies that all responsibilities will be transferred as of 01/01/2025. This would be the exact halfway point through FY25. Transfer outs were calculated at 50% of the FY25 appropriations to the Board.

The base general fund (1000) appropriation for EMSRB for FY25 is \$6,176,000, 50% is 3,088,000.

For fund 2000 that comprises seatbelt relief pass through funding to the EMS regions, this funding could fluctuate based on calculations from the Department of Public Safety. The FY24 budgeted figures of \$141,750 was used as a base, 50% of this amount, or \$70,875 was accounted for and transferred. Fees for fulfilling data collection is also included in fund 2000, the full existing cash balance of \$131,705 is transferred.

Fund 2043 is a restricted gifts fund, the full cash balance of \$10,548 is transferred.

Fund 3000 refers to the Emergency Medical Services for Children Grant which is passed through to grantees. Estimated amounts for EMSC funding are at \$80,000 for FY2025 due to budget uncertainties with the federal government, 50% or \$40,000 is transferred.

Total amount transferred out in FY25 is \$3,341,128

These amounts reference transfers to the new entity and do not reflect actual costs to state government and are provided for informational purposes.

**Long-Term Fiscal Considerations**

**Local Fiscal Impact**

**References/Sources**

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 Agency: **Governors Office**

State Fiscal Impact	Yes	No
Expenditures	X	
Fee/Departmental Earnings		X
Tax Revenue		X
Information Technology		X
Local Fiscal Impact		X

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General Fund	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total</b>	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Biennial Total</b>			-			-

Full Time Equivalent Positions (FTE)	Biennium			Biennium	
	FY2023	FY2024	FY2025	FY2026	FY2027
General Fund	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total</b>	-	-	-	-	-

**LBO Analyst's Comment**

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<b>Biennial Total</b>			-			-
<b>1 - Expenditures, Absorbed Costs*, Transfers Out*</b>						
General Fund						
Expenditures	-	-	1	-	-	-
Absorbed Costs	-	-	(1)	-	-	-
<b>Total</b>	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Biennial Total</b>			-			-
<b>2 - Revenues, Transfers In*</b>						
General Fund						
<b>Total</b>	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Biennial Total</b>			-			-

**Bill Description**

Establishes an Office of Emergency Medical Services to replace the Emergency Medical Services Regulatory Board.

**Assumptions**

The legal and appointments team will prepare the appointments required under this bill as part of their regular appointments work.

**Expenditure and/or Revenue Formula**

The Governor's Office will absorb the costs of this work.

**Long-Term Fiscal Considerations**

**Local Fiscal Impact**

**References/Sources**

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Information Technology		X
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<b>Biennial Total</b>			-			-

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<b>Total</b>	-	-	-	-	-

**LBO Analyst's Comment**

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	<b>Total</b>	-	-	-	-	-
	<b>Biennial Total</b>			-		-
<b>2 - Revenues, Transfers In*</b>						
	<b>Total</b>	-	-	-	-	-
	<b>Biennial Total</b>			-		-

**Bill Description**

Establishes the Office of Emergency Medical Services to replace the Emergency Medical Services Regulatory Board, transfers duties, creates an advisory council, and amends MN Statutes 2022, sections 62J.49 subdivision 1; 144E.001.

**Assumptions**

MIAC is named in the bill as an appointing authority to one seat on this new advisory council. MIAC handles appointments at our quarterly public board meetings as part of our normal business with our executive board who votes and appoints members.

**Expenditure and/or Revenue Formula**

NA

**Long-Term Fiscal Considerations**

**Local Fiscal Impact**

NA

**References/Sources**

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State Fiscal Impact	Yes	No
Expenditures	X	
Fee/Departmental Earnings		X
Tax Revenue		X
Information Technology		X
Local Fiscal Impact		X

This table shows direct impact to state government only. Local government impact, if any, is discussed in the narrative. Reductions shown in the parentheses.

State Cost (Savings)	Biennium			Biennium		
	Dollars in Thousands	FY2023	FY2024	FY2025	FY2026	FY2027
General Fund	-	-	-	2	1	
<b>Total</b>	-	-	-	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	
<b>Biennial Total</b>						<b>3</b>

Full Time Equivalent Positions (FTE)	Biennium			Biennium	
	FY2023	FY2024	FY2025	FY2026	FY2027
General Fund	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total</b>	-	-	-	-	-

**LBO Analyst's Comment**

I have reviewed this fiscal note for reasonableness of content and consistency with the LBO's Uniform Standards and Procedures.

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**State Cost (Savings) Calculation Details**

This table shows direct impact to state government only. Local government impact, if any, is discussed in the narrative. Reductions are shown in parentheses.

\*Transfers In/Out and Absorbed Costs are only displayed when reported.

<b>State Cost (Savings) = 1-2</b>		<b>Biennium</b>			<b>Biennium</b>	
Dollars in Thousands		FY2023	FY2024	FY2025	FY2026	FY2027
General Fund	-	-	-	-	2	1
<b>Total</b>		-	-	-	2	1
<b>Biennial Total</b>						<b>3</b>
<b>1 - Expenditures, Absorbed Costs*, Transfers Out*</b>						
General Fund	-	-	-	-	2	1
<b>Total</b>		-	-	-	2	1
<b>Biennial Total</b>						<b>3</b>
<b>2 - Revenues, Transfers In*</b>						
General Fund	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total</b>		-	-	-	-	-
<b>Biennial Total</b>						-

**Bill Description**

The bill establishes an Office of Emergency Medical Services effective Jan 1, 2025. The governor will appoint the director of the office with the advice and consent of the senate. The Emergency Medical Services Regulatory Board is repealed.

Also established is an Emergency Medical Services Advisory Council which will consist of 13 members including one representative and one senator. Non-legislative members of the Council may receive compensation and reimbursement of expenses as per MS 15.059. The bill states that legislative members may receive per diem and reimbursement of expenses according to their body’s adopted rules. The advisory council’s first meeting must convene by Feb 1, 2025, and must meet at least quarterly thereafter. The council does not expire.

An Emergency Medical Services Physician Advisory Committee that consists of 11 members is also established. The members of the Committee may receive compensation and reimbursement of expenses as per MS 15.059. The first meeting of the committee must be held by Feb 1, 2025, and they must meet at least twice a year thereafter. The committee does not expire.

**Assumptions**

1. The cost of the establishment and ongoing operations of the Office of Emergency Medical Services and the non-legislative member meeting participation cost of the Emergency Medical Services Advisory Council and the Emergency Medical Services Physician Advisory Committee will be addressed in the fiscal note for “Emergency Medical Services Office Proposed”.
2. The Senate will confirm the governor’s appointment of the director of the Office of Emergency Medical Services during one of its floor sessions held during a regular legislative session. No additional funds will be needed.
3. The Emergency Medical Services Regulatory Board is to be repealed under the bill. The current board does have two ex officio non-voting legislative members. Typically, ex officio members serve without compensation or reimbursement of their expenses.
4. The Emergency Medical Services Advisory Council will meet quarterly starting Feb 1, 2025. Two meetings will occur in FY25 with neither of the meetings being held during legislative interim. Four meetings will occur in FY26 with three meetings being held during legislative interim. Four meetings will be held in FY27 with two meetings being held during legislative interim. For this note we assume that all meetings will be held within the Capitol campus.
5. The bill states that legislative members (one representative, one senator) may receive payment of per diems and reimbursement of expenses for their participation in the council meetings, New funds will be needed for the House and Senate.

6. Legislative member meeting participation costs includes the following per member, per legislative interim meeting: per diem (\$86 senators, \$86 representatives), and \$102 round trip mileage (152 round trip mile average). Half of the legislative members will be reimbursed for lodging expenses (\$150/night senators, \$175/night representatives).

**Expenditure and/or Revenue Formula**

<b>Council Legislative Member Meeting Participation Cost</b>			
Cost Category	FY25	FY26	FY27
Senate Member Mtg Participation Cost	0	1,014	676
House Member Mtg Participation Cost	0	1,089	726
<b>Total Legislative Member Mtg Participation Cost (rounded)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2,000</b>	<b>1,000</b>
<b><u>Total Cost</u></b>			
Cost Category	FY25	FY26	FY27
Total Legislative Member Mtg Participation Cost (rounded)	0	2,000	1,000
<b>Total Cost (rounded)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2,000</b>	<b>1,000</b>
<b>Total Cost Absorbed (rounded)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Net Total Cost (rounded)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2,000</b>	<b>1,000</b>

**Long-Term Fiscal Considerations**

Similar costs will be ongoing since the council does not expire.

**Local Fiscal Impact**

N/A

**References/Sources**

- Emily Adriaens, House of Representatives
- Patrick McCormack, House of Representatives
- Tom Bottern, Minnesota Senate
- Eric Nauman, Minnesota Senate
- Alexis Stangl, Minnesota Senate
- Michelle Yurich, Legislative Coordinating Commission

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