

# **OFFICE OF THE REVISOR OF STATUTES**

Minnesota Legislature

### 2024 REVISOR'S BILL SUMMARY

This bill corrects technical errors generally, in statutes and laws. It corrects erroneous or incomplete cross references and internal references, either by striking references to repealed or invalid provisions or, as applicable, supplying the correct, updated, or complete provision. Occasionally, the reference to a repealed provision of statute is still appropriate, but a reference to the last edition of the statutes in which the section appeared is added to the reference. Typographical or grammatical corrections and corrections for readability are made. Miscellaneous drafting, engrossing, or other errors and omissions are corrected. Obsolete language is removed or, as applicable, replaced and terminology is updated or similar conforming changes are made. Expired or obsolete provisions are repealed. Conflicts between laws enacted at the same legislative session and other types of conflicts, such as conflicting effective dates, are resolved.



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#### **INTRODUCTION TO THE REVISOR'S BILL**

Minnesota Statutes, section 3C.04, directs the Revisor of Statutes to prepare and submit bills to the legislature that clarify and correct the statutes. It is produced by our office annually and is known as the Revisor's bill. In accordance with Joint Rule 2.01, it is accompanied by a memorandum of explanation which explains each of the corrections being made in the bill.

In addition to making a variety of technical changes to statutes and laws, such as correcting erroneous references and removing obsolete language, the Revisor's bill is also used to resolve conflicts published in Minnesota Statutes.<sup>1</sup>

Many corrections in the bill are found by our office during the process of editing Minnesota Statutes and the Laws of Minnesota for publication. Corrections are also brought to our attention by other state agencies, legislative staff, and members of the State Bar.

The Revisor's bill goes through a careful screening process before its introduction, to make sure that the corrections contained in it are technical in nature and that none of the sections in the bill are controversial in the legislature. In addition to a process of internal review, the bill is also shared with the House Research Department and Senate Counsel, Research, and Fiscal Analysis before its introduction. We also consult with state agencies, and other legislative staff to ensure the accuracy of corrections and make sure that there is no controversy.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The Revisor publishes all of the general and permanent law in Minnesota Statutes, including amendments to the law enacted during each legislative session. Sometimes it's necessary to annotate a statute when there are separate legislative enactments to the same statute, that can't be reconciled. The most common example of this is a statute that is both repealed and amended in the same legislative session. Our office follows standard editorial conventions to report in Minnesota Statutes what has been enacted by the legislature. In the Revisor's bill, we bring these cases before the legislature to resolve the conflict, thereby allowing us to remove the annotation.

### 1.5 Sec. 2. Explanation.

1.6 This section corrects an erroneous internal reference. The items referenced are contained
1.7 in clause (5), not clause (4).