

# H.F. 1693

As introduced

**Subject** Legislative Coordinating Commission provisions

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### **Overview**

This bill makes a number of changes to the laws governing the work of the Legislative Coordinating Commission and certain councils and commissions that it administers. Affected councils and commissions include the Legislative Salary Council, the Legislative Commission on Cybersecurity, the Regent Candidate Advisory Council, the Mississippi River Parkway Commission, and the Trustee Candidate Advisory Council.

# Section Description – Article 1: Minnesota Legislature

#### 1 Grants; staff; space; equipment; contracts.

Authorizes the director of the Legislative Coordinating Commission (LCC) to enter contracts to provide necessary services and supplies to the house of representatives, senate, and legislative commissions and joint legislative offices. Consultation with the chair and vice-chair of the LCC is required for contracts for professional or technical services valued at more than \$50,000.

#### 2 Definition.

Defines the term "closed meeting records" for purposes of the new standards that apply to closed meetings of the Legislative Commission on Cybersecurity.

## 3 Meetings.

Requires the Legislative Coordinating Commission to maintain closed meeting records and restrict public access for at least eight years but no more than 20 years after the date of the meeting.

#### 4 Closed meetings procedures.

Requires the Legislative Commission on Cybersecurity to establish procedures for conducting closed meetings, and establishes minimum standards for what must be included in those procedures, including requirements related to public notice; the number of people that may be present in the room; steps to address alleged violations of confidentiality surrounding the meeting; and guidance on the public release of closed meeting records.

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## 5 Alleged member closed meeting confidentiality violations.

Provides that, in a legislative ethics complaint brought over an alleged violation of confidentiality related to a closed meeting of the Legislative Commission on Cybersecurity, the applicable committee reviewing the complaint must preserve the confidentiality of the closed meeting at issue.

#### 6 Membership.

Prohibits current employees of an entity in the executive or judicial branch from being appointed to the Legislative Salary Council.

# 7 Initial appointment; convening authority; first meeting in odd-numbered year.

Updates now-obsolete language related to the initial appointment of members to the Legislative Salary Council, which was first established in 2017.

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# 9 Appointments following redistricting.

Modifies the requirements for appointing members of the Legislative Salary Council after a congressional redistricting plan is adopted, to conform to the process for making appointments in other years.

# 10 Membership.

Replaces a reference to the Senate Subcommittee on Committees of the Committee on Rules and Administration with a reference to the Senate Majority Leader, in the law governing appointments to the Regent Candidate Advisory Council.

#### 11 Public meetings.

Requires meetings of the Regent Candidate Advisory Council, and its subcommittees, to be open to the public consistent with the legislative open meeting law.

#### 12 Members.

Updates the appointment terms and process for regional citizen appointments to the Mississippi River Parkway Commission, including extending the terms of citizen appointees to a four-year staggered term, rather than the current two-year term cycle.

#### 13 Administration.

Eliminates a requirement that the Legislative Coordinating Commission administer and provide support services to the Electronic Real Estate Recording Commission.

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## 14 Mississippi River Parkway Commission; citizen members.

Establishes an initial rotation of staggered terms for the citizen appointees to the Mississippi River Parkway Commission.

# 15 Repealer.

Repeals Minnesota Statutes, section 136F.03, the Trustee Candidate Advisory Council. This council is created in law to recruit, screen, and recommend appointees to the Minnesota State Board of Trustees. The council has not met since 2012 and does not have any current membership.

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