

Bill Summary H.F. 2422 As introduced

Subject Tobacco use prevention account establishment and uses

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## **Overview**

This bill establishes a tobacco use prevention account, directs money from legal action related to alleged violations of laws related to electronic nicotine delivery systems or other acts that contribute to youth nicotine use to be deposited in the account, and annually appropriates money in the account to the commissioner of health for tobacco and electronic delivery device use prevention and cessation activities.

# **Summary**

#### Section Description

#### 1 Exceptions.

Amends § 16A.151, subd. 2. Section 16A.151, subdivision 1, requires money recovered by the state in litigation or a settlement to be deposited in the general fund, and subdivision 2 establishes exceptions to this requirement. Paragraph (h) establishes an additional exception, requiring money the state receives from legal action related to alleged violations of laws regarding electronic nicotine delivery systems or other alleged violations of law that contribute to youth nicotine use, to be deposited in a new tobacco use prevention account. Exempts attorney fees and costs awarded to the state or Attorney General's Office, contract attorneys, or other state agency attorneys. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

### 2 Tobacco use prevention account; establishment and uses.

Adds § 144.398. Defines the following terms for this section: electronic delivery device, tobacco, tobacco-related devices, and nicotine delivery product. Creates a tobacco use prevention account in the special revenue fund, and requires the commissioner of management and budget to deposit in the account any money the state receives from legal action related to alleged violations of laws regarding electronic nicotine delivery systems or other alleged violations of law that contribute to youth nicotine use. Appropriates the money in the account each fiscal year to the commissioner of health for:

#### Section Description

- tobacco and electronic delivery device use prevention and cessation projects;
- a public information program to promote nonsmoking;
- the development of health promotion and education materials about tobacco and electronic delivery device use prevention and cessation;
- tobacco and electronic delivery device use prevention activities; and
- statewide tobacco cessation services.

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