Overview

In summer of 1999, the commissioner of administration issued Reorganization Order No. 181. This order transferred many of the duties of the Department of Public Service (DPS) to the Department of Commerce. This bill makes statutory changes necessary to make the law consistent with the reorganization order. In most cases, transfers are to the Department of Commerce, although several are to other state agencies.

The reorganization order left the Weights and Measures Division in the Department of Public Service. This bill transfers the Division to the Commerce Department, and abolishes the Department of Public Service.

Most of the sections of this bill strike references to the Department of Public Service, and insert references to the Department of Commerce.

Section

1  Consolidation. Transfers all powers, rights, responsibilities and duties that remain in DPS after reorganization order No. 181 to the Department of Commerce. Abolishes DPS.
2  Statutes. Strikes reference to DPS in law governing distribution of statutes.
3  Data practices. Substitutes Commerce for DPS in data practices act.
4  State agencies. Strikes DPS from list of state agencies.
5  Commissioners. Strikes DPS from list of state commissioners
6  Salaries. Strikes DPS from list of commissioners' salaries.
7  Energy. Substitutes commerce for DPS in law dealing with energy conservation.
8  Energy. Substitutes commerce for DPS in law dealing with energy conservation.
9  Transportation. Substitutes commerce for DPS in law dealing with state employee
Advisory council. Substitutes commerce for DPS in construction code advisory council law.

Information. Substitutes commerce for DPS in law dealing with agriculture information.

Wood utilization. Substitutes commerce for DPS in law dealing with wood utilization.

Unclassified service. Substitutes commerce for DPS in law dealing with unclassified state service.

Commerce. Provides that commerce commissioner shall perform duties previously assigned to DPS.

Weighing. Substitutes commerce for DPS in law dealing with scales.

Management plan. Substitutes commerce for DPS in law dealing with review of management plan.

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Recycling program. Substitutes commerce for DPS in law dealing with recycling program.

Minnesota technology. Substitutes Public Utilities Commission for DPS in law dealing with Minnesota Technology, Inc.

Energy conservation. Substitutes commerce for DPS in law dealing with school energy conservation.

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Highways. Substitutes commerce for DPS in law dealing with highways.

Buses. Substitutes department of transportation for DPS in law dealing with intercity buses.

Prohibited light. Substitutes department of transportation for DPS in law dealing with prohibited lights.

Energy; transportation. Substitutes commerce for DPS in law dealing with energy conservation in transportation.

Railroad. Substitutes transportation for DPS in law dealing with railroad employees.

Department creation. Strikes language creating DPS.

Conflict. Substitutes commerce for DPS in law dealing with conflict of interest.

Employment restriction. Substitutes commerce for DPS in law dealing with employment restrictions.

PUC. Substitutes commerce for DPS in law dealing with PUC adjudications.

Duties. Substitutes commerce for DPS in law dealing with department duties.

Rules. Substitutes commerce for DPS in law dealing with rules.

Intervention office. Substitutes commerce for DPS in law dealing with intervention office.

Technical. Changes reference to refer to chapter 216B, instead of session law.

Reference. Strikes reference to DPS.

Definition. Substitutes commerce for DPS in law defining commissioner under chapter 216B.

Notice; rate change. Substitutes commerce for DPS in law dealing with notice of rate change.

Rate change. Substitutes commerce for DPS in law dealing with rate change process.

Energy conservation improvement. Substitutes commerce for DPS in law dealing with energy...
conservation improvements.

41 Low income programs. Strikes language relating to 1998 report.
42 Determination. Substitutes commerce for DPS in law dealing with certain rate approvals.
43 Rate reductions. Substitutes commerce for DPS in law dealing with rate reductions.
44 Findings. Substitutes commerce for DPS in law dealing with approval of certain utility plans.
45 Investment and expenditure. Substitutes commerce for DPS in law dealing with utility investments and expenditures.

46 Conservation improvement. Substitutes commerce for DPS in law dealing with conservation improvements.
47 Expense recovery. Substitutes commerce for DPS in law dealing with expense recovery.
48 References. Provides that certain definitions apply to all of chapter 216C, instead of only to specified sections.
49 Definition. Substitutes commerce for DPS in law defining "commissioner" under chapter 216C.
50 Definition. Substitutes commerce for DPS in law defining "department" under chapter 216C.
51 Assessment. Substitutes commerce for DPS in law dealing with assessment for legislative task force.

52 Building code. Substitutes commerce for DPS in law dealing with energy code rules.
53 Building code. Substitutes commerce for DPS in law dealing with energy code rules.
54 Definition. Substitutes commerce for DPS in law defining commissioner under section 216C.37.

55 Condition. Substitutes commerce for DPS in law dealing with alternative fuel vehicles.
56 Telecommunication. Substitutes commerce for DPS in law dealing with telecommunications.
57 Rate hearing. Substitutes commerce for DPS in law dealing with telecommunication rate hearings.

58 Cooperatives. Substitutes commerce for DPS in law dealing with cooperative elections and municipal rate regulation.
59 Telecommunication policy. Substitutes commerce for DPS in law dealing with telecommunication policy.

60 Reference. Strikes reference to a 1953 law.
61 Investigation. Substitutes commerce for DPS in law dealing with telephone investigation fund.
62 Expedited proceeding. Substitutes commerce for DPS in law dealing with expedited proceedings before the PUC.

63 Communication-impaired. Substitutes commerce for DPS in law dealing with communication devices for communication-impaired persons.
64 Communication impaired. Substitutes commerce for DPS in law dealing with fund for communication-impaired persons.
65 Communication impaired. Substitutes commerce for DPS in law dealing with program for communication-impaired persons.
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71 Petition. Substitutes commerce for DPS in law dealing with petition to have service classified as subject to effective competition or emerging competition.

72 Financial report. Substitutes commerce for DPS in law dealing with financial reports.

73 Weights and measures. Substitutes commerce for DPS in law dealing with weights and measures.

74 Motor oil collection. Substitutes commerce for DPS in law dealing with used motor oil collection.

75 Lead acid batteries. Substitutes commerce for DPS in law dealing with lead acid battery management.

76 Safety standards. Strikes DPS reference in law dealing with safety standards for certain wiring.

77 Appeals. Substitutes PUC for DPS in law dealing with certain St. Louis County appeals.

78 Repealer. Repeals law creating the office of commissioner of public service, and law defining department of public service in chapter 237.

79 Revisor. Instructs Revisor to make changes in accordance with this act.

80 Effective date. Effective July 1, 2000.