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Overview

Proposes to allow the Minnesota commission on national and community service to create a private nonprofit corporation authorized to administer the National and Community Service Trust Act.

Section

- 1 **Duties.** Strikes various duties of the Minnesota commission on national and community service, including developing and coordinating volunteer service learning programs; working with specified entities to identify mentoring and service learning opportunities, solicit and recruit program participants, and disseminate program information; and provide program oversight and support. Strikes language directing the commissioner of children, families and learning to consult with commission members before selecting the commission's executive director, who serves in the unclassified service.
Makes this section, including the termination of the employment of the executive director in the state unclassified service, effective when section 3 is effective.
- 2 **Delegation to nonprofit.** Allows the commission to create a private nonprofit corporation that is exempt from federal taxation. Makes the commission the corporation's board of directors if the commission creates a private nonprofit corporation. Exempts the private nonprofit corporation from laws governing state agencies or subdivisions. Allows the commission to delegate to the corporation its powers and duties under federal and state law if the corporation is authorized to administer the National and Community Service Trust Act. Allows the commission to revoke a delegation of powers and duties at its discretion, and requires the commission to revoke the delegation of powers and duties if the corporation's authority to administer the National and Community Service Trust Act is removed.
Makes this section immediately effective.
- 3 **Appropriation transfer.** Transfers the remaining appropriation for the activities of the

Minnesota commission on national and community service from the commissioner to the administrative entity approved to carry out the National and Community Service Trust Act. Requires the governor's proposed budget for fiscal years 2004 and 2005 to show the 2002-2003 appropriation to the Minnesota commission on national and community service, adjusted for changes enacted in 2002, as part of the base budget. Requires proposed future appropriations for this purpose to be shown as a pass-through grant.

- 4 **Transition.** Removes all powers and duties of the commissioner of children, families and learning related to the Minnesota commission on national and community service except to serve on the commission, to assist in developing a comprehensive state plan to provide services under the Youthworks Act, and to provide pass-through grant funds that are appropriated for the commission or the corporation.

Makes this section immediately effective.