

**Subject** Tobacco use prevention account; appropriations for tobacco use prevention

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### Overview

This bill requires money recovered by the state from litigation regarding annual tobacco settlement payments on transferred tobacco brands to be deposited in a tobacco use prevention account, and appropriates \$12 million per year, or the amount in the account if the account contains less than \$12 million, to the commissioner of health for tobacco use prevention activities.

### Summary

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<b>1</b>	<b>Exceptions.</b>
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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 rule. Paragraph (g) establishes an additional exception, requiring money the state receives from litigation regarding annual settlement payments on transferred tobacco brands to be deposited in a new tobacco use prevention account.

<b>2</b>	<b>Tobacco use prevention account.</b>
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Adds § 144.398. Establishes a tobacco use prevention account and annually appropriates money from that account to the commissioner of health for tobacco use prevention activities.

**Subd. 1. Account created.** Creates a tobacco use prevention account in the special revenue fund, and directs the commissioner of management and budget to deposit into the account all money recovered by the state from litigation regarding annual tobacco settlement payments on transferred tobacco brands.

**Subd. 2. Uses of money in account.** Appropriates \$12 million each year from the account to the commissioner of health for tobacco use prevention activities. If

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the account contains less than \$12 million on July 1, appropriates the amount in the account to the commissioner.

**Subd. 3. Definitions.** Defines terms: consent judgment; litigation regarding annual tobacco settlement payments on transferred tobacco brands; and settlement agreement.



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