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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Public Safety Finance and Policy
04/18/2024 Adoption of Report: Amended and re-referred to the Committee on Ways and Means

1.1 A bill for an act

1.2 relating to public safety; providing for funding and related policy changes to the

1.3 Department of Public Safety, Department of Corrections, and the Clemency Review

1.4 Commission; establishing working group to examine motor vehicle registration

1.5 compliance; establishing Task Force on Holistic and Effective Responses to Illicit

1.6 Drug Use and Task Force on Domestic Violence and Firearm Surrender;

1.7 establishing Public Safety Telecommunicator Training and Standards Board;

1.8 authorizing rulemaking; requiring reports; appropriating money; amending

1.9 Minnesota Statutes 2022, sections 299A.73, subdivision 4; 403.02, subdivision

1.10 17c; Minnesota Statutes 2023 Supplement, sections 244.50, subdivision 4; 299A.49,

1.11 subdivisions 8, 9; 403.11, subdivision 1; 609A.06, subdivision 2; 638.09,

1.12 subdivision 5; Laws 2023, chapter 52, article 2, sections 3, subdivision 5; 6,

1.13 subdivisions 1, 4; article 8, section 20, subdivision 3; Laws 2023, chapter 63,

1.14 article 5, section 5; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapters

1.15 169; 403.

1.16 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.17 **ARTICLE 1**

1.18 **PUBLIC SAFETY APPROPRIATIONS**

1.19 Section 1. **APPROPRIATIONS.**

1.20 The sums shown in the columns marked "Appropriations" are added to or, if shown in

1.21 parentheses, subtracted from the appropriations in Laws 2023, chapter 52, article 2, to the

1.22 agencies and for the purposes specified in this article. The appropriations are from the

1.23 general fund, or another named fund, and are available for the fiscal years indicated for

1.24 each purpose. The figures "2024" and "2025" used in this article mean that the addition to

1.25 or subtraction from the appropriation listed under them is available for the fiscal year ending

1.26 June 30, 2024, or June 30, 2025, respectively. "The first year" is fiscal year 2024. "The

1.27 second year" is fiscal year 2025. Supplemental appropriations and reductions to

2.1 appropriations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024, are effective the day following final
 2.2 enactment.

2.3		<u>APPROPRIATIONS</u>	
2.4		<u>Available for the Year</u>	
2.5		<u>Ending June 30</u>	
2.6		<u>2024</u>	<u>2025</u>

2.7 **Sec. 2. PUBLIC SAFETY**

2.8	<u>Subdivision 1. Total Appropriation</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>-0-</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>11,290,000</u>
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2.9	<u>Appropriations by Fund</u>				
2.10		<u>2024</u>	<u>2025</u>		
2.11	<u>General</u>	<u>-0-</u>	<u>9,840,000</u>		
2.12	<u>911 Fund</u>	<u>-0-</u>	<u>1,450,000</u>		

2.13 The amounts that may be spent for each
 2.14 purpose are specified in the following
 2.15 subdivisions.

2.16	<u>Subd. 2. Public Safety</u>				
2.17	<u>Administration</u>		<u>-0-</u>		<u>183,000</u>

2.18 **(a) Task Force on Domestic Violence and**
 2.19 **Firearms**

2.20 \$50,000 in fiscal year 2025 is to provide
 2.21 administrative support including meeting
 2.22 space and administrative assistance, or to hire
 2.23 or contract with another party to provide any
 2.24 portion of that support, for the Task Force on
 2.25 Domestic Violence and Firearms. This is a
 2.26 onetime appropriation.

2.27 **(b) Motor Vehicle Registration Compliance**
 2.28 **Working Group**

2.29 \$133,000 in fiscal year 2025 is for
 2.30 administrative support for the Motor Vehicle
 2.31 Registration Compliance Working Group. This
 2.32 is a onetime appropriation.

2.33	<u>Subd. 3. Office of Justice Programs</u>		<u>-0-</u>		<u>9,657,000</u>
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3.1 **(a) Direct Assistance to Crime Victim**

3.2 **Survivors**

3.3 \$9,557,000 in fiscal year 2025 is to provide
3.4 grants to organizations that received a grant
3.5 from the crime victim services unit in fiscal
3.6 year 2024. Grants must be used for direct
3.7 services and advocacy for victims of sexual
3.8 assault, general crime, domestic violence, and
3.9 child abuse. Funding must support the direct
3.10 needs of organizations serving victims of
3.11 crime by providing: direct client assistance to
3.12 crime victims; competitive wages for direct
3.13 service staff; hotel stays and other
3.14 housing-related supports and services;
3.15 culturally responsive programming; prevention
3.16 programming, including domestic abuse
3.17 transformation and restorative justice
3.18 programming; and for other needs of
3.19 organizations and crime victim survivors.
3.20 Services funded must include services for
3.21 victims of crime in underserved communities
3.22 most impacted by violence and reflect the
3.23 ethnic, racial, economic, cultural, and
3.24 geographic diversity of the state. This
3.25 appropriation is onetime and is in addition to
3.26 any amount previously appropriated for this
3.27 purpose.

3.28 **(b) Law Enforcement Therapy Dog Grant**

3.29 **Program**

3.30 \$100,000 in fiscal year 2025 is to issue grants
3.31 to law enforcement agencies to acquire, train,
3.32 and maintain therapy dogs to aid in treating
3.33 peace officers suffering from job-related
3.34 trauma and post-traumatic stress disorder and
3.35 to assist in responding to calls involving

4.1 persons in crisis. Eligible law enforcement
 4.2 agencies may receive grants of up to \$10,000.
 4.3 Interested law enforcement agencies must
 4.4 submit an application to the commissioner on
 4.5 a form prepared by the commissioner. The
 4.6 commissioner must give preference to
 4.7 applicants that demonstrate that the agency's
 4.8 peace officers suffer a high rate of job-related
 4.9 trauma or post-traumatic stress disorder or are
 4.10 exposed regularly to high-stress incidents that
 4.11 are known to cause job-related trauma or
 4.12 post-traumatic stress disorder. This is a
 4.13 onetime appropriation.

4.14 Each grant recipient must report to the
 4.15 commissioner of public safety and the chairs
 4.16 and ranking minority members of the
 4.17 legislative committees and divisions with
 4.18 jurisdiction over public safety policy and
 4.19 finance on how the grant was expended. The
 4.20 report must include an overview of the grant
 4.21 recipient's budget, a detailed explanation of
 4.22 how grant funds were expended, the number
 4.23 of dogs trained with grant funds, the number
 4.24 of peace officers served by dogs trained with
 4.25 grant funds, and a list and explanation of the
 4.26 benefits received by peace officers who were
 4.27 served by dogs trained with grant funds. An
 4.28 initial report is due by January 15, 2025, and
 4.29 a final report is due by January 15, 2026.

4.30 **Subd. 4. Emergency Communication Networks** -0- 1,450,000

4.31 Appropriations by Fund

4.32 911 Fund -0- 1,450,000

4.33 **Public Safety Answering Points**

4.34 \$1,450,000 in fiscal year 2025 is for
 4.35 administrative and software costs and

5.1 rulemaking to establish and review 911 public
 5.2 safety telecommunicator certification and
 5.3 continuing education standards as described
 5.4 in Minnesota Statutes, section 403.053. The
 5.5 base for this appropriation is \$1,000,000
 5.6 beginning in fiscal year 2026.

5.7 **Sec. 3. CORRECTIONS**

5.8 **Subdivision 1. Total**
 5.9 **Appropriation**

\$ 5,900,000 \$ 2,000,000

5.10 The amounts that may be spent for each
 5.11 purpose are specified in the following
 5.12 subdivisions.

5.13 **Subd. 2. Facility Operation**

5,900,000 2,000,000

5.14 **Operating Deficiency**

5.15 \$5,900,000 in fiscal year 2024 and \$2,000,000
 5.16 in fiscal year 2025 are for the operation of
 5.17 correctional facilities. The base for this
 5.18 appropriation is \$7,091,000 beginning in fiscal
 5.19 year 2026.

5.20 **Sec. 4. CLEMENCY REVIEW COMMISSION \$**

-0- \$ 986,000

5.21 \$986,000 in fiscal year 2025 is for the
 5.22 Clemency Review Commission described in
 5.23 Minnesota Statutes, section 638.09. Of this
 5.24 amount, \$200,000 in the second year is for
 5.25 grants to support outreach and clemency
 5.26 application assistance.

5.27 **Sec. 5. MINNESOTA MANAGEMENT AND**
 5.28 **BUDGET \$**

-0- \$ 150,000

5.29 \$150,000 in fiscal year 2025 is for the Office
 5.30 of Addiction and Recovery to provide support
 5.31 staff, office and meeting space, and
 5.32 administrative services for the Task Force on
 5.33 Holistic and Effective Responses to Illicit
 5.34 Drug Use. This is a onetime appropriation.

6.1 Sec. 6. Laws 2023, chapter 52, article 2, section 3, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

6.2 **Subd. 5. Fire Marshal** 17,013,000 17,272,000

6.3 Appropriations by Fund

6.4 General 4,184,000 4,190,000

6.5 Special Revenue 12,829,000 13,082,000

6.6 The special revenue fund appropriation is from
 6.7 the fire safety account in the special revenue
 6.8 fund and is for activities under Minnesota
 6.9 Statutes, section 299F.012. The base
 6.10 appropriation for this account is \$13,182,000
 6.11 in fiscal year 2026 and \$13,082,000 in fiscal
 6.12 year 2027.

6.13 **(a) Hazardous Materials and Emergency**
 6.14 **Response Teams**

6.15 \$1,695,000 the first year and \$1,595,000 the
 6.16 second year are from the fire safety account
 6.17 for hazardous materials and emergency
 6.18 response teams. The base for these purposes
 6.19 is \$1,695,000 in the first year of future biennia
 6.20 and \$1,595,000 in the second year of future
 6.21 biennia.

6.22 **(b) Bomb Squad Reimbursements**

6.23 \$250,000 from the fire safety account and
 6.24 \$50,000 from the general fund each year are
 6.25 for reimbursements to local governments for
 6.26 bomb squad services.

6.27 **(c) Nonresponsible Party Reimbursements**

6.28 \$750,000 each year from the fire safety
 6.29 account is for nonresponsible party hazardous
 6.30 material, Urban Search and Rescue, Minnesota
 6.31 Air Rescue Team, and bomb squad incident
 6.32 reimbursements. Money appropriated for this
 6.33 purpose is available for one year.

7.1 **(d) Hometown Heroes Assistance Program**

7.2 \$4,000,000 each year from the general fund

7.3 is for grants to the Minnesota Firefighter

7.4 Initiative to fund the hometown heroes

7.5 assistance program established in Minnesota

7.6 Statutes, section 299A.477.

7.7 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

7.8 Sec. 7. Laws 2023, chapter 52, article 2, section 6, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

7.9	Subdivision 1. Total				826,661,000
7.10	Appropriation	\$	12,643,000	\$	797,937,000
				\$	<u>825,675,000</u>

7.11 The amounts that may be spent for each
 7.12 purpose are specified in the following
 7.13 subdivisions.

7.14 Sec. 8. Laws 2023, chapter 52, article 2, section 6, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

7.15	Subd. 4. Organizational, Regulatory, and				74,287,000
7.16	Administrative Services			73,586,000	<u>73,301,000</u>

7.17 **(a) Public Safety Data Infrastructure**

7.18 \$22,914,000 the first year and \$22,915,000
 7.19 the second year are for technology
 7.20 modernization and the development of an
 7.21 information-sharing and data-technology
 7.22 infrastructure. The base for this purpose is
 7.23 \$4,097,000 beginning in fiscal year 2026. Any
 7.24 unspent funds from the current biennium do
 7.25 not cancel and are available in the next
 7.26 biennium.

7.27 **(b) Supervised Release Board**

7.28 \$40,000 each year is to establish and operate
 7.29 the supervised release board pursuant to
 7.30 Minnesota Statutes, section 244.049.

7.31 **(c) Recruitment and Retention**

8.1 \$3,200,000 the first year and \$400,000 the
8.2 second year are for recruitment and retention
8.3 initiatives. Of this amount, \$2,800,000 the first
8.4 year is for staff recruitment, professional
8.5 development, conflict resolution, and staff
8.6 wellness, and to contract with community
8.7 collaborative partners who specialize in trauma
8.8 recovery.

8.9 **(d) Clemency Review Commission**

8.10 \$986,000 ~~each year~~ the first year is for the
8.11 clemency review commission described in
8.12 Minnesota Statutes, section 638.09. Of this
8.13 amount, \$200,000 each year is for grants to
8.14 support outreach and clemency application
8.15 assistance. Any unencumbered balance
8.16 remaining in the first year does not cancel, but
8.17 must be transferred to the Clemency Review
8.18 Commission by July 1, 2024. Funds
8.19 transferred under this paragraph are available
8.20 until June 30, 2025.

8.21 **(e) Accountability and Transparency**

8.22 \$1,000,000 each year is for accountability and
8.23 transparency initiatives. The base for this
8.24 appropriation is \$1,480,000 beginning in fiscal
8.25 year 2026.

8.26 **(f) Organizational, Regulatory, and**
8.27 **Administrative Services Base Budget**

8.28 The base for organizational, regulatory, and
8.29 administrative services is ~~\$55,849,000~~
8.30 \$54,863,000 in fiscal year 2026 and
8.31 ~~\$55,649,000~~ \$54,663,000 in fiscal year 2027.

9.1 **ARTICLE 2**

9.2 **PUBLIC SAFETY**

9.3 Section 1. **[169.905] TRAFFIC STOP; QUESTIONING LIMITED.**

9.4 A peace officer making a traffic stop for a violation of this chapter or chapter 168 must
 9.5 inform the vehicle's operator of a reason for the stop before engaging in questioning related
 9.6 to a suspected traffic violation.

9.7 Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2023 Supplement, section 299A.49, subdivision 8, is amended
 9.8 to read:

9.9 Subd. 8. **State emergency response asset.** "State emergency response asset" means any
 9.10 team or teams defined under this section that has entered into a contractual agreement with
 9.11 the State Fire Marshal Division.

9.12 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

9.13 Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2023 Supplement, section 299A.49, subdivision 9, is amended
 9.14 to read:

9.15 Subd. 9. **Urban search and rescue team (USAR) (US&R).** "Urban search and rescue
 9.16 ~~team~~" or "USAR" "US&R" means a ~~team trained and equipped to respond to and carry out~~
 9.17 ~~rescue and recovery operations at the scene of a collapsed structure. A USAR team may~~
 9.18 ~~include strategically located fire department assets combined under one joint powers~~
 9.19 ~~agreement~~ multihazard discipline that involves the location, extrication, and initial medical
 9.20 stabilization of victims trapped or missing because of a man-made or natural disaster.

9.21 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

9.22 Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 299A.73, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

9.23 Subd. 4. **Administrative costs.** The commissioner may use up to ~~two~~ ten percent of the
 9.24 biennial appropriation for grants-in-aid to the youth intervention program to pay costs
 9.25 incurred by the department in administering the youth intervention program.

9.26 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

9.27 Sec. 5. **MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATION COMPLIANCE WORKING GROUP.**

9.28 Subdivision 1. **Definitions.** (a) For purposes of this section, the following terms have
 9.29 the meanings given.

10.1 (b) "Commissioner" means the commissioner of public safety.

10.2 (c) "Working group" means the motor vehicle registration compliance working group
10.3 required under this section.

10.4 Subd. 2. **Establishment.** The commissioner of public safety must convene a working
10.5 group by September 1, 2024, to examine motor vehicle registration and registration tax
10.6 collection and compliance.

10.7 Subd. 3. **Membership.** (a) In addition to appropriate representatives of the Department
10.8 of Public Safety, the commissioner must solicit the following individuals to participate in
10.9 the working group:

10.10 (1) one member representing the Department of Transportation, appointed by the
10.11 commissioner of transportation;

10.12 (2) one member representing the Department of Revenue, appointed by the commissioner
10.13 of revenue;

10.14 (3) one member representing Tribal governments;

10.15 (4) one member appointed by the Center for Transportation Studies at the University of
10.16 Minnesota;

10.17 (5) one member appointed by the Minnesota Chiefs of Police Association;

10.18 (6) one member appointed by the Minnesota Sheriffs' Association;

10.19 (7) one member appointed by the Minnesota Peace and Police Officers Association;

10.20 (8) one member appointed by the Association of Minnesota Counties;

10.21 (9) one member appointed by the League of Minnesota Cities;

10.22 (10) one member appointed by the Minnesota Deputy Registrars Association;

10.23 (11) one member appointed by the Deputy Registrar Business Owners Association;

10.24 (12) one member appointed by the Minnesota Automobile Dealers Association;

10.25 (13) one member appointed by AAA Minnesota; and

10.26 (14) one member appointed by the Minnesota Transportation Alliance.

10.27 (b) The commissioner may solicit participation in the working group by additional
10.28 individuals if the commissioner determines that particular expertise or perspective would
10.29 be beneficial to the working group in the performance of its duties.

11.1 Subd. 4. **Appointment; vacancy.** Members of the working group serve at the pleasure
11.2 of the appointing authority or until the working group expires. Vacancies must be filled by
11.3 the appointing authority.

11.4 Subd. 5. **Duties.** (a) At a minimum, the working group must:

11.5 (1) identify and evaluate potential methods for enforcement of motor vehicle registration
11.6 and registration tax payment requirements that would replace enforcement through the use
11.7 of criminal penalties, including but not limited to:

11.8 (i) alignment with individual income taxes;

11.9 (ii) revenue recapture; and

11.10 (iii) retention of license plates with a vehicle following a change of vehicle ownership;
11.11 and

11.12 (2) develop recommendations, a legislative proposal, or both, related to motor vehicle
11.13 registration and registration tax compliance through methods other than the use of criminal
11.14 penalties.

11.15 (b) In evaluating methods under paragraph (a), clause (2), the working group must use
11.16 criteria that include effectiveness, administrative efficiency, equity, burdens on motor vehicle
11.17 owners, and substantial elimination of vehicle registration enforcement through traffic stops
11.18 performed by peace officers.

11.19 Subd. 6. **Administration.** (a) The commissioner must provide administrative support
11.20 to the working group. Upon request of the working group, the commissioners of
11.21 transportation and revenue must provide relevant technical support.

11.22 (b) Members of the working group are not eligible for compensation.

11.23 (c) The working group is subject to the Minnesota Open Meeting Law under Minnesota
11.24 Statutes, chapter 13D.

11.25 (d) The working group is subject to the Minnesota Data Practices Act under Minnesota
11.26 Statutes, chapter 13.

11.27 Subd. 7. **Report.** By February 15, 2025, the commissioner must submit a report on motor
11.28 vehicle registration compliance to the chairs and ranking minority members of the legislative
11.29 committees and divisions with jurisdiction over transportation and public safety. At a
11.30 minimum, the report must summarize the activities of the working group and provide
11.31 information related to each of the duties specified in subdivision 3.

11.32 Subd. 8. **Expiration.** The working group expires June 30, 2025.

12.1 Sec. 6. **TASK FORCE ON HOLISTIC AND EFFECTIVE RESPONSES TO ILLICIT**
12.2 **DRUG USE.**

12.3 Subdivision 1. Establishment. The Task Force on Holistic and Effective Responses to
12.4 Illicit Drug Use is established to review the reports on approaches to address illicit drug use
12.5 in Minnesota prepared and submitted pursuant to Laws 2023, chapter 52, article 2, section
12.6 3, subdivision 8, paragraph (v); develop a phased timeline for implementation of policy
12.7 changes; and make policy and funding recommendations to the legislature.

12.8 Subd. 2. Membership. (a) The task force consists of the following members:

12.9 (1) the state public defender or a designee;

12.10 (2) two county attorneys, one from a county in the metropolitan area as defined in
12.11 Minnesota Statutes, section 473.121, subdivision 2, and one from a county outside the
12.12 metropolitan area, appointed by the Minnesota County Attorneys Association;

12.13 (3) one peace officer, as defined in Minnesota Statutes, section 626.84, subdivision 1,
12.14 paragraph (c), appointed by the Minnesota Sheriffs' Association;

12.15 (4) one peace officer, as defined in Minnesota Statutes, section 626.84, subdivision 1,
12.16 paragraph (c), appointed by the Minnesota Police and Peace Officers Association;

12.17 (5) two medical professionals, one with expertise in substance use disorder treatment
12.18 and one with experience working with harm reduction providers, appointed by the Minnesota
12.19 Medical Association;

12.20 (6) one member appointed by the Minnesota Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers;

12.21 (7) one member representing a Tribal government, appointed by the Indian Affairs
12.22 Council;

12.23 (8) one member with knowledge of expungement law, representing criminal legal reform
12.24 organizations;

12.25 (9) one academic researcher specializing in drug use or drug policy;

12.26 (10) one member with lived experience with drug use;

12.27 (11) one member who resides in a community that has been disproportionately impacted
12.28 by drug sentencing laws;

12.29 (12) one member representing an organization with knowledge of youth intervention
12.30 services and the juvenile justice system; and

13.1 (13) one member, appointed by the Minnesota Association of County Social Service
13.2 Administrators, with experience administering supportive social services, including mental
13.3 health, substance use disorder, housing, and other related services.

13.4 (b) The members identified in paragraph (a), clauses (8) to (12), must be appointed by
13.5 the governor.

13.6 (c) Appointments must be made no later than August 31, 2024.

13.7 (d) Members of the task force serve without compensation.

13.8 (e) Members of the task force serve at the pleasure of the appointing authority or until
13.9 the task force expires. Vacancies shall be filled by the appointing authority consistent with
13.10 the qualifications of the vacating member required by this subdivision.

13.11 Subd. 3. **Duties.** (a) The task force must:

13.12 (1) review and analyze the research and recommendations released in reports prepared
13.13 by Rise Research pursuant to Laws 2023, chapter 52, article 2, section 3, subdivision 8,
13.14 paragraph (v);

13.15 (2) collect, review, and analyze other relevant information and data;

13.16 (3) gather and consider input and feedback from the public, including but not limited to
13.17 feedback from individuals with lived experience involving the use of illicit drugs and family
13.18 members of persons with that lived experience; and

13.19 (4) make recommendations, including specific plans and timeline goals, to implement
13.20 and fund policies addressing illicit drug use, with the goal of reducing and, where possible,
13.21 preventing harm to users of illicit drugs and promoting the health and safety of individuals
13.22 and communities.

13.23 (b) The task force may examine other issues relevant to the duties specified in this
13.24 subdivision.

13.25 Subd. 4. **Officers; meetings.** (a) The director of the Office of Addiction and Recovery
13.26 shall convene the first meeting of the task force by September 30, 2024.

13.27 (b) At the first meeting, the members of the task force shall elect a chair and vice-chair,
13.28 and may elect other officers as the members deem necessary.

13.29 (c) The task force shall meet monthly or as determined by the chair. The task force shall
13.30 meet a sufficient amount of time to accomplish the tasks identified in this section. Meetings
13.31 of the task force are subject to Minnesota Statutes, chapter 13D.

14.1 Subd. 5. **Staff; meeting space.** The Office of Addiction and Recovery shall provide
14.2 support staff, office and meeting space, and administrative services for the task force.

14.3 Subd. 6. **Report.** The task force must submit a report to the chairs and ranking minority
14.4 members of the legislative committees and divisions with jurisdiction over public safety,
14.5 health, and human services on the work, findings, and recommendations of the task force.
14.6 The recommendations of the task force must include proposed legislation and implementation
14.7 plans. The task force must submit the report by February 15, 2025. The task force may
14.8 submit additional information to the legislature.

14.9 Subd. 7. **Expiration.** The task force expires on June 30, 2025.

14.10 **Sec. 7. TASK FORCE ON DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AND FIREARM SURRENDER.**

14.11 Subdivision 1. **Establishment.** The Task Force on Domestic Violence and Firearm
14.12 Surrender is established to review existing laws that require the surrender of firearms by
14.13 individuals subject to an order for protection, subject to an extreme risk protection order,
14.14 or convicted of domestic assault, harassment, or stalking; identify best practices to ensure
14.15 the surrender of firearms that prioritize the safety of peace officers, victims, and others;
14.16 identify policies and procedures that reduce the danger to peace officers and other emergency
14.17 responders called to an incident involving domestic violence; and make policy and funding
14.18 recommendations to the legislature.

14.19 Subd. 2. **Membership.** (a) The task force consists of the following members:

14.20 (1) the commissioner of public safety, or a designee;

14.21 (2) the director of the Missing and Murdered Indigenous Relatives Office, or a designee;

14.22 (3) the chief justice of the supreme court, or a designee;

14.23 (4) the state public defender, or a designee;

14.24 (5) a county attorney appointed by the Minnesota County Attorneys Association;

14.25 (6) an individual appointed by the Indian Affairs Council;

14.26 (7) a peace officer as defined in Minnesota Statutes, section 626.84, subdivision 1,
14.27 paragraph (c), appointed by the Minnesota Chiefs of Police Association;

14.28 (8) a peace officer as defined in Minnesota Statutes, section 626.84, subdivision 1,
14.29 paragraph (c), appointed by the Minnesota Sheriffs' Association;

14.30 (9) an individual appointed by Violence Free Minnesota;

14.31 (10) an individual appointed by Minnesota Coalition Against Sexual Assault; and

15.1 (11) an individual appointed by the Gun Violence Prevention Law Clinic at the University
15.2 of Minnesota Law School.

15.3 (b) Appointments must be made no later than September 1, 2024.

15.4 (c) Members shall serve without compensation.

15.5 (d) Members of the task force serve at the pleasure of the appointing authority or until
15.6 the task force expires. Vacancies shall be filled by the appointing authority consistent with
15.7 the qualifications of the vacating member required by this subdivision.

15.8 Subd. 3. **Officers; meetings.** (a) The commissioner of public safety shall convene the
15.9 first meeting of the task force no later than September 15, 2024, and shall provide meeting
15.10 space and administrative assistance for the task force to conduct its work.

15.11 (b) At its first meeting, the task force must elect a chair and vice-chair from among its
15.12 members. The task force may elect other officers as necessary.

15.13 (c) The task force shall meet at least monthly or upon the call of the chair. The task force
15.14 shall meet a sufficient amount of time to accomplish the tasks identified in this section.
15.15 Meetings of the task force are subject to Minnesota Statutes, chapter 13D.

15.16 Subd. 4. **Duties.** (a) The task force shall, at a minimum:

15.17 (1) examine existing laws requiring the surrender of firearms by individuals subject to
15.18 orders for protection, convicted of domestic assault, and convicted of harassment or stalking;

15.19 (2) examine existing policies and procedures, if any, used in Minnesota to enforce orders
15.20 requiring the surrender of firearms by individuals subject to an order for protection or
15.21 convicted of domestic assault, harassment, or stalking;

15.22 (3) examine laws, policies, and procedures in other states related to enforcing orders
15.23 requiring the surrender of firearms;

15.24 (4) identify barriers to enforcing orders in Minnesota that require the surrender of firearms
15.25 by individuals subject to an order for protection or convicted of domestic assault, harassment,
15.26 or stalking;

15.27 (5) identify best practices for enforcing orders requiring the surrender of firearms,
15.28 prioritizing practices that protect the safety of peace officers, prosecutors, judges and court
15.29 staff, victims, and others;

15.30 (6) identify policies and procedures that reduce the danger to peace officers and other
15.31 emergency responders called to an incident involving domestic violence; and

16.1 (7) make policy and funding recommendations to the legislature.

16.2 (b) At its discretion, the task force may examine other issues consistent with this section.

16.3 Subd. 5. **Recommendations; report.** The task force may issue recommendations and
16.4 reports at any time during its existence. By February 1, 2025, the task force must submit a
16.5 report to the chairs and ranking minority members of the legislative committees and divisions
16.6 with jurisdiction over public safety finance and policy on the findings and recommendations
16.7 of the task force.

16.8 Subd. 6. **Expiration.** The task force expires the day after submitting its report under
16.9 subdivision 5.

16.10 **ARTICLE 3**

16.11 **CORRECTIONS**

16.12 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2023 Supplement, section 244.50, subdivision 4, is amended
16.13 to read:

16.14 Subd. 4. **Distributing reallocation funds.** The commissioner must distribute funds as
16.15 follows:

16.16 (1) ~~25~~ 50 percent must be transferred to the Office of Justice Programs in the Department
16.17 of Public Safety for crime victim services;

16.18 (2) 25 percent must be transferred to the Community Corrections Act subsidy
16.19 appropriation and to the Department of Corrections for supervised release and intensive
16.20 supervision services, based upon a three-year average of the release jurisdiction of supervised
16.21 releasees and intensive supervised releasees across the state; and

16.22 (3) 25 percent must be transferred to the Department of Corrections for:

16.23 (i) grants to develop and invest in community-based services that support the identified
16.24 needs of correctionally involved individuals or individuals at risk of becoming involved in
16.25 the criminal justice system; and

16.26 (ii) sustaining the operation of evidence-based programming in state and local correctional
16.27 facilities; ~~and.~~

16.28 ~~(4) 25 percent must be transferred to the general fund.~~

17.1 Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2023 Supplement, section 609A.06, subdivision 2, is amended
17.2 to read:

17.3 Subd. 2. **Executive director.** (a) The governor must appoint the initial executive director
17.4 of the Cannabis Expungement Board. The executive director must be knowledgeable about
17.5 expungement law and criminal justice. The executive director serves at the pleasure of the
17.6 board in the unclassified service as an executive branch employee. Any vacancy shall be
17.7 filled by the board.

17.8 ~~(b) The executive director's salary is set in accordance with section 15A.0815, subdivision~~
17.9 ~~3.~~

17.10 ~~(e)~~ (b) The executive director may obtain office space and supplies and hire administrative
17.11 staff necessary to carry out the board's official functions, including providing administrative
17.12 support to the board and attending board meetings. Any additional staff serve in the classified
17.13 service.

17.14 ~~(d)~~ (c) At the direction of the board, the executive director may enter into interagency
17.15 agreements with the Department of Corrections or any other agency to obtain material and
17.16 personnel support necessary to carry out the board's mandates, policies, activities, and
17.17 objectives.

17.18 Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2023 Supplement, section 638.09, subdivision 5, is amended
17.19 to read:

17.20 Subd. 5. **Executive director.** (a) The board must appoint a commission executive director
17.21 knowledgeable about clemency and criminal justice. The executive director serves at the
17.22 pleasure of the board in the unclassified service as an executive branch employee.

17.23 ~~(b) The executive director's salary is set in accordance with section 15A.0815, subdivision~~
17.24 ~~3.~~

17.25 ~~(e)~~ (b) The executive director may obtain office space and supplies and hire administrative
17.26 staff necessary to carry out the commission's official functions, including providing
17.27 administrative support to the board and attending board meetings. Any additional staff serve
17.28 in the unclassified service at the pleasure of the executive director.

17.29 Sec. 4. Laws 2023, chapter 52, article 8, section 20, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

17.30 Subd. 3. **Department administrative assistance.** Beginning August 1, 2023, through
17.31 ~~February 29, 2024~~ June 30, 2024, the Department of Corrections must provide the Clemency

18.1 Review Commission with administrative assistance, technical assistance, office space, and
18.2 other assistance necessary for the commission to carry out its duties under sections 4 to 20.

18.3 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective retroactively from February 28, 2024.

18.4 Sec. 5. Laws 2023, chapter 63, article 5, section 5, is amended to read:

18.5 Sec. 5. **TRANSITION PERIOD.**

18.6 Beginning August 1, 2023, through ~~March 1, 2024~~ August 1, 2024, the Department of
18.7 Corrections must provide the Cannabis Expungement Board with administrative assistance,
18.8 technical assistance, office space, and other assistance necessary for the board to carry out
18.9 its duties under Minnesota Statutes, section 609A.06. The Cannabis Expungement Board
18.10 shall reimburse the Department of Corrections for the services and space provided.

18.11 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective retroactively from February 28, 2024.

18.12 **ARTICLE 4**

18.13 **PUBLIC SAFETY TELECOMMUNICATORS**

18.14 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 403.02, subdivision 17c, is amended to read:

18.15 Subd. 17c. ~~911~~ Public safety telecommunicator. "911 Public safety telecommunicator"
18.16 means a person employed by a primary or secondary public safety answering point, an
18.17 ~~emergency medical dispatch service provider, or both, who is qualified to answer incoming~~
18.18 ~~emergency telephone calls or provide for the~~ who serves as a first responder by receiving,
18.19 assessing, or processing requests for assistance from the public and other public safety
18.20 partners and coordinates the appropriate emergency public safety response either directly
18.21 ~~or through communication with the appropriate public safety answering point.~~ Public safety
18.22 telecommunicator includes persons who supervise public safety telecommunicators.

18.23 Sec. 2. [403.053] PUBLIC SAFETY TELECOMMUNICATOR TRAINING AND
18.24 STANDARDS BOARD.

18.25 Subdivision 1. Membership. (a) The Public Safety Telecommunicator Training and
18.26 Standards Board consists of the following members:

18.27 (1) the commissioner or a designee;

18.28 (2) one sheriff from each of the six Minnesota Sheriffs' Association districts appointed
18.29 by the Minnesota Sheriffs' Association;

- 19.1 (3) one representative from an emergency medical services secondary public safety
19.2 answering point appointed by the Minnesota Ambulance Association;
- 19.3 (4) one representative of emergency medical service providers appointed by the Minnesota
19.4 Ambulance Association;
- 19.5 (5) one chief of police appointed by the Minnesota Chiefs of Police Association;
- 19.6 (6) one fire chief appointed by the Minnesota State Fire Chiefs Association;
- 19.7 (7) one elected county official appointed by the Association of Minnesota Counties;
- 19.8 (8) one elected city official appointed by the League of Minnesota Cities; and
- 19.9 (9) ten members from among the following public safety answering points' personnel:
- 19.10 (i) one member from each of the six Minnesota Sheriffs' Association districts appointed
19.11 by the Minnesota Sheriffs' Association;
- 19.12 (ii) one member from the State Patrol public safety answering points appointed by the
19.13 chief of the State Patrol;
- 19.14 (iii) one member from a Tribal public safety answering point;
- 19.15 (iv) one member from a municipal public safety answering point appointed by the League
19.16 of Minnesota Cities; and
- 19.17 (v) one member from a nontraditional public safety answering point appointed by the
19.18 Statewide Emergency Communications Board.
- 19.19 (b) For purposes of this subdivision, "nontraditional public safety answering point"
19.20 includes the following public safety answering points: University of Minnesota, Dakota
19.21 911, Ramsey County, Anoka County, the Metropolitan Airports Commission, Metro Transit,
19.22 Red River Regional Dispatch Center, Rice-Steele, Rochester-Olmsted, Nobles County, and
19.23 Fort Snelling.
- 19.24 Subd. 2. **Terms; compensation; removal; vacancies; meetings.** (a) Members of the
19.25 board may serve four-year terms.
- 19.26 (b) Members serve without compensation.
- 19.27 (c) A member may be removed by their respective appointing authority at any time for
19.28 cause or after missing three consecutive meetings of the board. The chair of the board must
19.29 inform the appointing authority of a member missing three consecutive board meetings.
19.30 Vacancies must be filled according to the appointments made under subdivision 1.
- 19.31 (d) Members elect a chair biennially.

20.1 (e) Meetings must be called at the request of the chair or upon the written request of a
20.2 majority of the members of the board.

20.3 (f) Membership on the board does not constitute the holding of a public office and
20.4 members of the board are not required to take and file oaths of office or submit a public
20.5 official's bond before serving on the board.

20.6 (g) No member of the board is disqualified from holding any public office or employment
20.7 by reason of appointment to the board. Notwithstanding any general, special, or local
20.8 restriction, ordinance, or city charter to the contrary, no member must forfeit any public
20.9 office or employment by reason of appointment to the board.

20.10 (h) All other matters relating to board operations are governed by chapter 214.

20.11 Subd. 3. **Powers and duties.** (a) The board must:

20.12 (1) establish public safety telecommunicator certification requirements;

20.13 (2) oversee the public safety telecommunicator training and certification program;

20.14 (3) certify public safety telecommunicators who satisfy certification requirements;

20.15 (4) make recommendations regarding public safety telecommunicator training needs;

20.16 (5) establish standards for education programs and develop procedures for continuing
20.17 oversight of the programs; and

20.18 (6) establish qualifications for public safety telecommunicator instructors.

20.19 (b) The board may:

20.20 (1) hire or contract for technical or professional services according to section 15.061;

20.21 (2) pay expenses necessary to carry out its duties;

20.22 (3) apply for, receive, and accept grants, gifts, devices, and endowments that any entity
20.23 may make to the board for the purposes of this section and may use any money given to the
20.24 board consistent with the terms and conditions under which the money was received and
20.25 for the purposes stated;

20.26 (4) accept funding from the 911 emergency telecommunications service account in the
20.27 special revenue fund and allocate funding to Minnesota public safety answering points in
20.28 the form of reimbursements that are consistent with the board's recommendations, local
20.29 expenditure reimbursement under section 403.113, subdivision 3, and Federal
20.30 Communications Commission regulations;

20.31 (5) set guidelines regarding how the allocated reimbursement funds must be disbursed;

21.1 (6) set and make available to the public safety answering points standards governing the
21.2 use of funds reimbursed under this section;

21.3 (7) make recommendations to the legislature to improve the quality of public safety
21.4 telecommunicator training;

21.5 (8) conduct studies and surveys and make reports; and

21.6 (9) conduct other activities necessary to carry out its duties.

21.7 Subd. 4. **Certification requirements; rulemaking.** (a) No later than July 1, 2026, the
21.8 board must adopt rules with respect to certification requirements for public safety
21.9 telecommunicators and establish in rule criteria for training, certification, and continuing
21.10 education that incorporate the requirements set forth in paragraph (b).

21.11 (b) Rules established under this subdivision must define:

21.12 (1) a set of learning objectives that ensure the professional competency of public safety
21.13 telecommunicators;

21.14 (2) the minimum course of study required for public safety telecommunicators to
21.15 demonstrate professional competence;

21.16 (3) minimum learning objectives and training requirements to ensure that public safety
21.17 telecommunicators are instructed in techniques to appropriately manage stress, respond to
21.18 requests for assistance that involve a mental health crisis, and engage in suicide intervention;

21.19 (4) the term of certification;

21.20 (5) the term of recertification;

21.21 (6) the certification of existing public safety telecommunicators;

21.22 (7) the certification of public safety telecommunicators with out-of-state certifications;

21.23 and

21.24 (8) the certification application and approval process.

21.25 (c) Certification of a public safety telecommunicator must occur within one year of the
21.26 date of hire unless an exception is sought, as defined in rules.

21.27 Subd. 5. **Reporting requirements.** In conjunction with each biennial budget process
21.28 under section 16A.10, the board must submit a report to the governor and to the chairs and
21.29 ranking minority members of the legislative committees with jurisdiction over public safety
21.30 finance and policy.

21.31 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2024.

22.1 Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2023 Supplement, section 403.11, subdivision 1, is amended
22.2 to read:

22.3 Subdivision 1. **Emergency telecommunications service fee; account.** (a) Each customer
22.4 of a wireless or wire-line switched or packet-based telecommunications service provider
22.5 connected to the public switched telephone network that furnishes service capable of
22.6 originating a 911 emergency telephone call is assessed a fee based upon the number of
22.7 wired or wireless telephone lines, or their equivalent, to cover the costs of ongoing
22.8 maintenance and related improvements for trunking and central office switching equipment
22.9 for 911 emergency telecommunications service, to offset administrative and staffing costs
22.10 of the commissioner related to managing the 911 emergency telecommunications service
22.11 program, to make distributions provided for in section 403.113, and to offset the costs,
22.12 including administrative and staffing costs, incurred by the State Patrol Division of the
22.13 Department of Public Safety in handling 911 emergency calls made from wireless phones.

22.14 (b) Money remaining in the 911 emergency telecommunications service account after
22.15 all other obligations are paid must not cancel and is carried forward to subsequent years
22.16 and may must be appropriated ~~from time to time~~ to the commissioner to provide financial
22.17 assistance to counties for the improvement of local emergency telecommunications services,
22.18 including public safety telecommunicator training, certification, and continuing education.

22.19 (c) The fee may not be more than 95 cents a month for each customer access line or
22.20 other basic access service, including trunk equivalents as designated by the Public Utilities
22.21 Commission for access charge purposes and including wireless telecommunications services.
22.22 With the approval of the commissioner of management and budget, the commissioner of
22.23 public safety shall establish the amount of the fee within the limits specified and inform the
22.24 companies and carriers of the amount to be collected. When the revenue bonds authorized
22.25 under section 403.27, subdivision 1, have been fully paid or defeased, the commissioner
22.26 shall reduce the fee to reflect that debt service on the bonds is no longer needed. The
22.27 commissioner shall provide companies and carriers a minimum of 45 days' notice of each
22.28 fee change. The fee must be the same for all customers, except that the fee imposed under
22.29 this subdivision does not apply to prepaid wireless telecommunications service, which is
22.30 instead subject to the fee imposed under section 403.161, subdivision 1, paragraph (a).

22.31 (d) The fee must be collected by each wireless or wire-line telecommunications service
22.32 provider subject to the fee. Fees are payable to and must be submitted to the commissioner
22.33 monthly before the 25th of each month following the month of collection, except that fees
22.34 may be submitted quarterly if less than \$250 a month is due, or annually if less than \$25 a
22.35 month is due. Receipts must be deposited in the state treasury and credited to a 911

- 23.1 emergency telecommunications service account in the special revenue fund. The money in
- 23.2 the account may only be used for 911 telecommunications services.
- 23.3 (e) Competitive local exchanges carriers holding certificates of authority from the Public
- 23.4 Utilities Commission are eligible to receive payment for recurring 911 services.