

(2) assess local government inspection roles under Minnesota Statutes, section 84D.105, subdivision 2, paragraph (g); and

(3) assess whether mechanisms to ensure that water-related equipment placed back into the same body of water from which it was removed can adequately protect other water bodies.

**Sec. 49. WORKERS' COMPENSATION FOR VOLUNTEERS; REPORT.**

By January 15, 2017, the commissioner of natural resources, in coordination with the commissioner of labor and industry and the Workers' Compensation Advisory Council, shall make recommendations to the chairs of the house of representatives and senate committees and divisions with jurisdiction over the environment and natural resources on how to clarify the state's liability for workers' compensation in relation to volunteers of nonprofit organizations assisting with providing public services on lands administered by the commissioner of natural resources subject to Minnesota Statutes, section 175.007, subdivision 2.

**Sec. 50. AGGREGATE RESOURCES TASK FORCE.**

Subdivision 1. **Creation; membership.** (a) The Aggregate Resources Task Force consists of eight members appointed as follows:

(1) the speaker of the house shall appoint four members of the house of representatives to include two members of the majority party and two members of the minority party, with one member being the chair of the committee with jurisdiction over aggregate mining; and

(2) the senate Subcommittee on Committees of the Committee on Rules and Administration shall appoint four members of the senate to include two members of the majority party and two members of the minority party, with one member being the chair of the committee or division with jurisdiction over natural resources finance.

(b) The appointing authorities must make their respective appointments no later than July 15, 2016.

(c) The first meeting of the task force must be convened by the chairs of the house of representatives and senate committees specified in paragraph (a) who will serve as cochairs of the task force.

Subd. 2. **Duties.** The task force must study and provide recommendations on:

(1) the Department of Natural Resources' and Metropolitan Council's aggregate mapping progress and needs;

(2) the effectiveness of recent aggregate tax legislation and the use of the revenues collected by counties;

(3) the use of state funds to preserve aggregate reserves; and

(4) local land use and permitting issues, environmental review requirements, and the impacts of other state regulations on aggregate reserves.

Subd. 3. **Report.** No later than January 15, 2018, the task force shall submit a report to the chairs of the house of representatives and senate committees and divisions with jurisdiction over aggregate mining and natural resources finance containing the findings of the study.

Subd. 4. **Expiration.** The Aggregate Resources Task Force expires 45 days after the report and recommendations are delivered to the legislature or on June 30, 2018, whichever date is earlier.

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

Sec. 51. **APPROPRIATION REALLOCATION.**

Notwithstanding Laws 2013, chapter 137, article 3, section 4, paragraph (o), and Laws 2015, First Special Session chapter 2, article 3, section 4, paragraph (b), the Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board may allocate its share of the distribution of fiscal years 2016 and 2017 funds under Minnesota Statutes, section 85.53, subdivision 3, to the Minneapolis Chain of Lakes, Mississippi Gorge, Above the Falls, and Central Mississippi Riverfront Regional Parks in accordance with the most recent priority rankings that the Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board has submitted to the Metropolitan Council. This reallocation of funds is anticipated to result in \$500,000 in federal funds to match extant parks and trails fund appropriations.

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

Sec. 52. **CITATION.**

Sections 23, 24, 25, 26, and 45 may be known and cited as "Sophia's Law."

Sec. 53. **REPEALER.**

Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 116P.13, is repealed.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2018, and any funds remaining in the Minnesota future resources fund on July 1, 2018, are transferred to the general fund.

## ARTICLE 4

### PUBLIC SAFETY AND CORRECTIONS

Section 1. **APPROPRIATIONS.**

The sums shown in the column under "Appropriations" are added to the appropriations in Laws 2015, chapter 65, article 1, to the agencies and for the purposes specified in this article. The appropriations are from the general fund, or another named fund, and are available for the fiscal years indicated for each purpose. The figures "2016" and "2017" used in this article mean that the addition to the appropriation listed under them is available for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016, or June 30, 2017, respectively. Supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016, are effective the day following final enactment.

<u><b>APPROPRIATIONS</b></u>	
<u><b>Available for the Year</b></u>	
<u><b>Ending June 30</b></u>	
<u><b>2016</b></u>	<u><b>2017</b></u>

federal funds for assistance to establish perennial crops;

(6) an assessment of how other state programs could complement the program;

(7) an estimate of water quality improvements expected to result from implementation in pilot watersheds;

(8) an assessment of how to best integrate program implementation with existing conservation requirements and develop recommendations on harvest practices and timing to benefit wildlife production;

(9) an assessment of the potential viability and water quality benefit of cover crops used in biomass processing facilities;

(10) a timeline for implementation, coordinated to the extent possible with proposed biomass processing facilities; and

(11) a projection of funding sources needed to complete implementation.

This is a onetime appropriation and is available until June 30, 2018.

The board shall coordinate development of the working lands watershed restoration plan with stakeholders and the commissioners of natural resources, agriculture, and the Pollution Control Agency. The board must submit an interim report by October 15, 2017, and the feasibility study and program plan by February 1, 2018, to the chairs and ranking minority members of the legislative committees and divisions with jurisdiction over agriculture, natural resources, and environment policy and finance and to the Clean Water Council.

Sec. 5. LEGISLATURE

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\$25,000 the first year is from the Minnesota future resources fund to the Legislative Coordinating Commission for the Aggregate Resources Task Force established in this act. This is a onetime appropriation and is available until June 30, 2018.