

Supplemental Budget Bill Major Points

Equity

-The Conference Committee target for Equity was \$35 million in 2017, \$17.5 million per year on-going.

HHS Spending:

This updated transfer, coupled with other spending items results in total spending of \$79.2 million in FY17 and \$153.9 million in FY18-19 across all funds. The Conference Committee did include several of the Governor's recommendations related to staffing issues at state operated facilities. Additionally, the Conference Committee Report includes funding for MA estate lien modifications, American Indian initiatives, and Critical Access Dental Program modifications.

Investment Overview (FY17):

Ensuring a Safe and Stable Future for Minnesota's Children and Families -\$3.5 million
Strengthening our Mental Health System, Increasing Resources and Access -\$28.7 million
Providing Additional Resources to Minnesota's Health Providers and Caretakers -\$2.6 million
Supporting the State's Workforce Operating in Critically Unsafe Conditions -\$16million
Helping Older Minnesotans Maintain their Livelihood and Access Vital Health Care -\$7 million

E-12

The 2016 E-12 Education Supplemental Budget bill appropriates an additional \$78 million in one-time spending for Fiscal Year 2017 for Minnesota education programs. Of that one time funding \$25 million will fund a voluntary public pre-K grant program. The bill also provides an additional \$79 million in ongoing spending; of that money, \$55 million is for on-going funds for pre-K programs. Included is funding for school support staff, teacher shortage, teacher loan forgiveness, equity increases for non-metro schools, Reading Corps, Rock N'Read, and staff development aid.

Teacher Shortage--(One-time and on-going)

-Minnesota faces a teacher shortage, especially in math, science, and special education. The teacher shortage provision responds to this crisis by providing:

-Grants for students to help pay for their student teaching-\$6.25 million (FY17-19)

-Investments in successful homegrown programs that create paraprofessional pathways (Grow Your Own) to licensure \$1.5 million--(FY17)

-Increases to Collaborative Urban Educator program--\$310,000 (FY17)

-Funds to enhance a statewide teacher and administrator job board that would be a one-stop job posting sites for districts and applicants \$80,000(FY17)

-American Indian Teacher preparation funding increases \$270,000--(FY17)

-Funds to establish a grant program to assist school districts in funding agricultural education teachers to work with high school students on extended projects in the summer--\$250,000 (FY17)

-Allows Lake County Services Cooperative, the Northwest Service Cooperative, and the Minnesota State University-Moorhead to establish a Northwest Regional Partnership to provide coordinated higher learning opportunities for teachers--\$3 million (FY17)

-Provides grants to Southwest State University to entice students to become special education teachers--\$285,000 (FY17)

-Ag Educator grants to assist teachers in Minnesota schools--\$250,000 (FY17)

Economic Development

Small business bureau duties modification; employment and economic development department (DEED) appropriations –(\$350,000)

This proposal modifies the Bureau of Small Business to expanding its role in job creation. These changes include: \$50,000 of the appropriation is for outreach.

Ensure the Bureau of Small Business has an email account and other electronic media options.

Provide information and assistance on issues related to business finance.

Modernize its ability to communicate with the public.

Initiative foundations business finance activities promotion and appropriation –(\$2.5 million)

\$2.5 million is divided between the initiative foundations across the state to provide business financing for startups, expansions, maintenance for business ownership transition and succession.

Small Business Development Centers –(\$400,000)

Grants will be made available to Small Business Development Centers. The money can be used for consulting, technical services, or to build additional Small Business Development Center network capacity to serve small businesses.

Broadband:

Border-to-Border Broadband Development Program –(\$35 million)

This appropriation to the Border-to-Border Broadband Fund Account will fund grants to broadband projects around the state. In addition, this broadband provision updates the state's definition of "underserved areas," provides clarification on the grant application process, and updates the state's speed goals.

Higher Education Article

This article is the agreement of the supplemental finance conference committee. This bill includes provisions that were in the Omnibus Higher Education Policy bill and the Finance Article. This article represents a decrease in funding from the Senate's original position of \$47.7 million; however, it is a \$5 million increase over the House's \$0 target.

Targets

- Governor recommended \$56 million
- Senate recommended \$47.7 million
- House recommended \$0

Conference Committee \$5 million

Office of Higher Education (OHE):\$3.21 million

(some provisions are in the member section). This is a decrease from \$17.345 million.

-\$2 million invested into the State Grant Program. This is an increase from \$1.735 million in the Senate bill.

MnSCU: \$790,000

(some provisions are in the member section). This is a decrease from \$12.018 million in the Senate bill.

-\$570,000 for operation supporting and protecting affordability. This is a decrease from \$10 million in the Senate bill.

-\$20,000 for the Cook County Higher Education Board to provide educational programming.

UofM: \$900,000

(some provisions are in the member section). This is decrease from \$18.1 million in the Senate bill.

-\$800,000 for Health Training Restoration

This appropriation is split between family medicine residency placements, the mobile dental clinic, and for expanding the geriatric education and family programs. This is a decrease from \$5 million in the Senate bill.