

**SENATE
STATE OF MINNESOTA
NINETY-THIRD SESSION**

S.F. No. 4489

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Introduction and first reading
Referred to Elections

OFFICIAL STATUS

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to elections; modifying appropriations and transfers; amending Laws 2021,
1.3 First Special Session chapter 12, article 1, section 6; Laws 2023, chapter 62, article
1.4 1, sections 6; 43.

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

1.6 Section 1. Laws 2021, First Special Session chapter 12, article 1, section 6, is amended
1.7 to read:

1.8 Sec. 6. **SECRETARY OF STATE** \$ 9,684,000 \$ 9,152,000

1.9 \$750,000 each year is for transfer to the voting
1.10 equipment grant account under Minnesota
1.11 Statutes, section 206.95. These are onetime
1.12 transfers.

1.13 \$1,000,000 each year is for grants to local
1.14 units of government to implement the
1.15 provisions of Minnesota Statutes, section
1.16 203B.082. These are onetime appropriations.

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

1.18 Sec. 2. Laws 2023, chapter 62, article 1, section 6, is amended to read:

1.19 ~~13,470,000~~ ~~11,069,000~~
1.20 Sec. 6. **SECRETARY OF STATE** \$ 14,720,000 \$ 12,319,000

2.1 The base for this appropriation is ~~\$11,255,000~~
 2.2 \$12,505,000 in fiscal year 2026 and
 2.3 ~~\$11,069,000~~ \$12,319,000 in fiscal year 2027.

2.4 \$500,000 the first year is for the secretary of
 2.5 state to make grants to counties and
 2.6 municipalities to improve access to polling
 2.7 places for individuals with disabilities and to
 2.8 provide the same opportunity for access and
 2.9 participation in the electoral process, including
 2.10 privacy and independence, to voters with
 2.11 disabilities as that which exists for voters with
 2.12 no disabilities. Funds may be used to purchase
 2.13 equipment or to make capital improvements
 2.14 to government-owned facilities. This is a
 2.15 onetime appropriation and is available until
 2.16 June 30, 2027.

2.17 \$200,000 the first year is to develop and
 2.18 implement an educational campaign relating
 2.19 to the restoration of the right to vote to
 2.20 formerly incarcerated individuals, including
 2.21 voter education materials and outreach to
 2.22 affected individuals.

2.23 \$2,250,000 the first year and \$3,000,000 the
 2.24 second year are for transfer to the voting
 2.25 operations, technology, and election resources
 2.26 account established under Minnesota Statutes,
 2.27 section 5.305.

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

2.29 Sec. 3. Laws 2023, chapter 62, article 1, section 43, is amended to read:

2.30 **Sec. 43. TRANSFER; VOTING OPERATIONS, TECHNOLOGY, AND ELECTION**
 2.31 **RESOURCES ACCOUNT.**

2.32 ~~\$1,250,000 each year~~ \$750,000 in fiscal year 2024 is transferred from the ~~general fund~~
 2.33 voting equipment grant account under Minnesota Statutes, section 206.95, to the voting

3.1 operations, technology, and election resources account established under Minnesota Statutes,
3.2 section 5.305. ~~The base for this transfer is \$1,250,000 in fiscal year 2026 and each fiscal~~
3.3 ~~year thereafter.~~ This is a onetime transfer.

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