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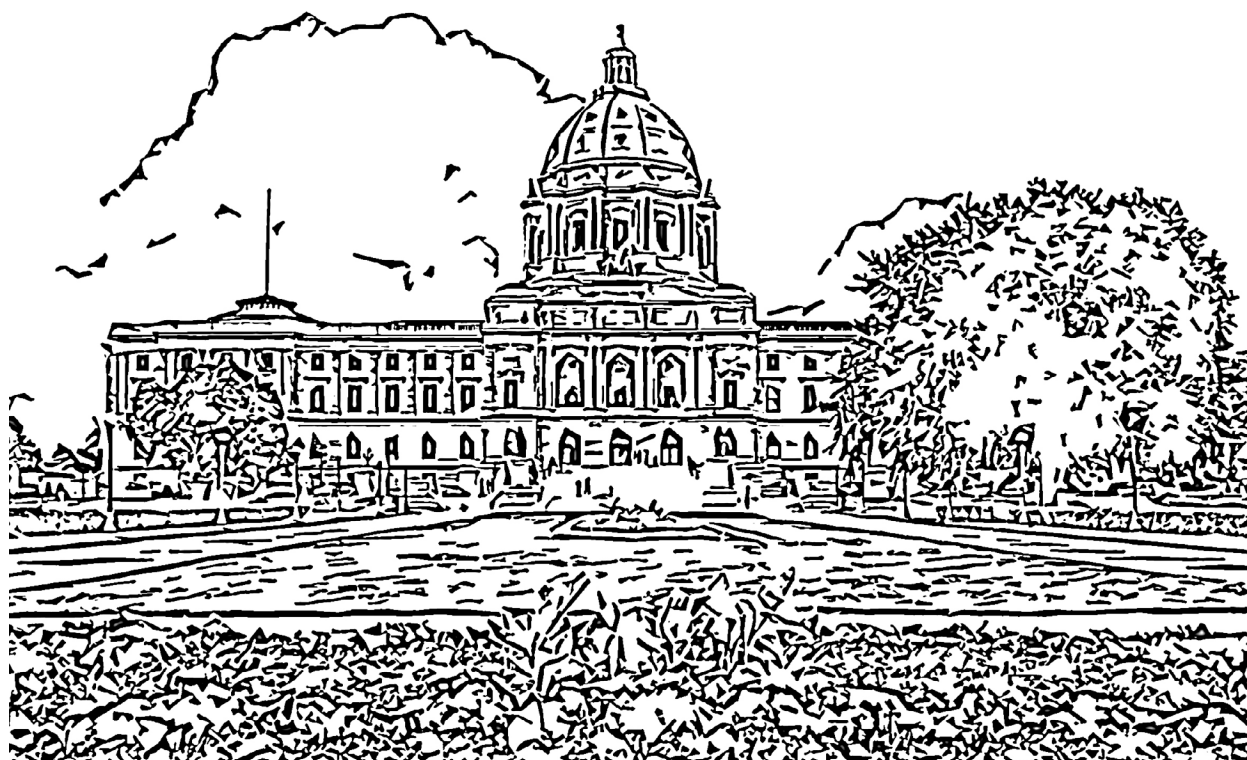
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# Minnesota Rules: Amendments and Additions

## NOTICE: How to Follow State Agency Rulemaking in the State Register

The State Register is the official source, and only complete listing, for all state agency rulemaking in its various stages. State agencies are required to publish notice of their rulemaking action in the State Register. Published every Monday, the State Register makes it easy to follow and participate in the important rulemaking process. Approximately 80 state agencies have the authority to issue rules. Each agency is assigned specific Minnesota Rule chapter numbers. Every odd-numbered year the Minnesota Rules are published. Supplements are published to update this set of rules. Generally speaking, proposed and adopted exempt rules do not appear in this set because of their short-term nature, but are published in the State Register.

An agency must first solicit Comments on Planned Rules or Comments on Planned Rule Amendments from the public on the subject matter of a possible rulemaking proposal under active consideration within the agency (Minnesota Statutes §§ 14.101). It does this by publishing a notice in the State Register at least 60 days before publication of a notice to adopt or a notice of hearing, or within 60 days of the effective date of any new statutory grant of required rulemaking.

When rules are first drafted, state agencies publish them as Proposed Rules, along with a notice of hearing, or a notice of intent to adopt rules without a hearing in the case of noncontroversial rules. This notice asks for comment on the rules as proposed. Proposed emergency rules, and withdrawn proposed rules, are also published in the State Register. After proposed rules have gone through the comment period, and have been rewritten into their final form, they again appear in the State Register as Adopted Rules. These final adopted rules are not printed in their entirety, but only the changes made since their publication as Proposed Rules. To see the full rule, as adopted and in effect, a person simply needs two issues of the State Register, the issue the rule appeared in as proposed, and later as adopted.

The State Register features partial and cumulative listings of rules in this section on the following schedule: issues #1-26 inclusive (issue #26 cumulative for issues #1-26); issues #27-52 inclusive (issue #52, cumulative for issues #27-52 or #53 in some years). A subject matter index is updated weekly and is available upon request from the editor. For copies or subscriptions to the State Register, contact the editor at 651-201-3204 or email at [sean.plemmons@state.mn.us](mailto:sean.plemmons@state.mn.us)

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# Exempt Rules

Exempt rules are excluded from the normal rulemaking procedures (*Minnesota Statutes* §§ 14.386 and 14.388). They are most often of two kinds. One kind is specifically exempted by the Legislature from rulemaking procedures, but approved for form by the Revisor of Statutes, reviewed for legality by the Office of Administrative Hearings, and then published in the State Register. These exempt rules are effective for two years only.

The second kind of exempt rule is one adopted where an agency for good cause finds that the rulemaking provisions of *Minnesota Statutes*, Chapter 14 are unnecessary, impracticable, or contrary to the public interest. This exemption can be used only where the rules:

- (1) address a serious and immediate threat to the public health, safety, or welfare, or
- (2) comply with a court order or a requirement in federal law in a manner that does not allow for compliance with *Minnesota Statutes* Sections 14.14-14.28, or
- (3) incorporate specific changes set forth in applicable statutes when no interpretation of law is required, or
- (4) make changes that do not alter the sense, meaning, or effect of the rules.

These exempt rules are also reviewed for form by the Revisor of Statutes, for legality by the Office of Administrative Hearings and then published in the *State Register*. In addition, the Office of Administrative Hearings must determine whether the agency has provided adequate justification for the use of this exemption. Rules adopted under clauses (1) or (2) above are effective for two years only. The Legislature may also exempt an agency from the normal rulemaking procedures and establish other procedural and substantive requirements unique to that exemption.

**KEY: Proposed Rules** - Underlining indicates additions to existing rule language. ~~Strikeouts~~ indicate deletions from existing rule language. If a proposed rule is totally new, it is designated "all new material."  
**Adopted Rules** - Underlining indicates additions to proposed rule language. ~~Strikeout~~ indicates deletions from proposed rule language.

## Department of Natural Resources Adopted Exempt Permanent Rules Related to Bait Restrictions

### 6262.0576 BAIT RESTRICTIONS.

Subpart 1. **Definitions.** For purposes of this part:

*[For text of items A to C, see Minnesota Rules]*

D. "VHS susceptible species" means all species on the official list of viral hemorrhagic septicemia (VHS)-susceptible species published by the United States Department of Agriculture, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Services on the VHS-susceptible-species list as defined in Minnesota Statutes, section 17.4982, subdivision 21b.

*[For text of subpart 2, see Minnesota Rules]*

Subp. 3. **Labeling requirements.**

*[For text of item A, see Minnesota Rules]*

B. Restricted bait harvested by a person for personal use as dead or frozen bait must be labeled with:

*[For text of subitems (1) to (3), see Minnesota Rules]*

(4) the disease-free certification date for the source water body or declarative VHS-free zone date as provided under Minnesota Statutes, section 97C.342, subdivision 2.

*[For text of items C to E, see Minnesota Rules]*

*[For text of subparts 4 and 5, see Minnesota Rules]*

### 6262.0577 BAIT PRESERVATION.

Subpart 1. **Permit required to preserve bait.**

# Exempt Rules

*[For text of item A, see Minnesota Rules]*

B. A person must obtain a bait preservation permit to preserve bait for use in waters of the state if the bait is:

*[For text of subitems (1) to (3), see Minnesota Rules]*

(4) a species on the ~~viral hemorrhagic septicemia-susceptible species~~ VHS-susceptible-species list published by the United States Department of Agriculture, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, and has not been harvested from certified disease-free sources, as defined in Minnesota Statutes, section 17.4982, subdivision 21b.

*[For text of item C, see Minnesota Rules]*

*[For text of subparts 2 to 5, see Minnesota Rules]*

## Expedited Rules

Provisions exist for the Commissioners of some state agencies to adopt expedited rules when conditions exist that do not allow the Commissioner to comply with the requirements for normal rules. The Commissioner must submit the rule to the attorney general for review and must publish a notice of adoption that includes a copy of the rule and the conditions. Expedited rules are effective upon publication in the State Register, and may be effective up to seven days before publication under certain conditions.

Expedited rules are effective for the period stated or up to 18 months. Specific *Minnesota Statute* citations accompanying these expedited rules detail the agency's rulemaking authority.

**KEY: Proposed Rules** - Underlining indicates additions to existing rule language. ~~Strikeouts~~ indicate deletions from existing rule language. If a proposed rule is totally new, it is designated "all new material."

**Adopted Rules** - Underlining indicates additions to proposed rule language. ~~Strikeout~~ indicates deletions from proposed rule language.

## Department of Natural Resources

### Adopted Expedited Permanent Game and Fish Rules: Lake Superior Fishing Regulations

The rules proposed and published at State Register, Volume 49, Number 39, pages 1078-1082, March 24, 2025 (49 SR 1078), are adopted with the following modifications:

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** The amendments to Minnesota Rules, part 6262.0300, subpart 6, are effective March 1, 2026.

## Department of Natural Resources

### Adopted Expedited Game and Fish Rule: Restrictions on Taking Fish

The rules proposed and published at State Register, Volume 49, Number 33, pages 963-965, February 10, 2025 (49 SR 963), are adopted as proposed.

# Commissioner's Orders

Various agency commissioners are authorized to issue "commissioner's orders" on specified activities governed by their agency's enabling laws. See the *Minnesota Statutes* governing each agency to determine the specific applicable statutes. Commissioners' orders are approved by assistant attorneys general as to form and execution and published in the *State Register*. These commissioners orders are compiled in the year-end subject matter index for each volume of the *State Register*.

## Department of Natural Resources

### Commissioner's Order #2 ML 2025: Amend Walleye Regulations for Open Water Angling on Lake Mille Lacs

**Date:** August 13, 2025

**Statutory authority:** *Minnesota Statutes*, section 97C.005, subd. 3

Amends Expedited Emergency Game and Fish Rule 6264.0400, subpart 4, item F, referring to the angling seasons and possession restrictions for multiple fish species: Mille Lacs Fishing Regulations as published in the 28 April 2025 State Register (49 SR 1193)

#### BACKGROUND

Each year a harvestable surplus is set for walleye in Lake Mille Lacs by a joint management process between the state and the eight Ojibwe Bands that are signatories to the Treaty of 1837. The harvestable surplus is the pounds of fish that can be taken from Lake Mille Lacs while ensuring sufficient walleye remain in the lake for a healthy population. The state's allocation of the harvestable surplus for the 2025 season was set at 113,600 pounds. The state then set the walleye harvest and possession limit for the 2025 season for state anglers by Expedited Emergency Rule on April 28, 2025. Walleye regulations were set to a possession limit of two walleye 17 inches or greater, only one of which could be over 20 inches. While the prediction was that anglers would take around 80,000 pounds of walleye under this regulation, uncertainty about key modeling assumptions, including angler catch rates and the number of anglers choosing to fish the lake, meant the state recognized potential harvests could be lower or higher than that amount.

Angler hours and angler catch rates thus far in the 2025 season have been much lower than expected. Actual harvest data gathered to date and modeling for the remainder of the walleye season indicate that under the current regulation state anglers will harvest 40,000 pounds of walleye, or about 35% of the state's allocation, by the end of the 2025 season on November 30.

To enhance angler opportunity to harvest walleye on Mille Lacs while remaining within the state's walleye allocation, the state is modifying the walleye angling regulation beginning 12:01 a.m. on August 23, 2025, when the daily and possession limit will become three walleye 17 inches or greater, only one of which may be over 20 inches in length. All other walleye must be immediately returned to the water. Modeling indicates this regulation modification will increase the state harvest by less than 5,000 pounds, leading to a total harvest of about 40% or less of the state's allocation.

This regulation will remain effective until 11:59 p.m. on November 30, 2025. Beginning at 12:01 a.m. on December 1, 2025, the daily and possession limit for walleye on Lake Mille Lacs will revert to two walleye 17 inches or greater, only one of which can be over 20 inches. If the DNR's fall assessment netting indicates a change to winter regulations is needed, another regulation change starting on December 1, 2025, may be made.

For all other species, the Expedited Emergency Rule adopted on April 28, 2025, remains the same.

#### ORDER

**NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED**, pursuant to authority vested in me by law, including *Minnesota Statutes*, section 97C.005, subdivision 3, that:



# Commissioner's Orders

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1. Beginning at 12:01 a.m. on August 23, 2025, and continuing until 11:59 p.m. on November 30, 2025, while a person is on or fishing in Lake Mille Lacs or its associated tributaries to the posted boundaries, the daily and possession limit is three walleye 17 inches or greater, only one of which may be over 20 inches in length. All other walleye must be immediately returned to the water.
2. Beginning at 12:01 a.m. on December 1, 2025, while a person is on or fishing in Lake Mille Lacs or its associated tributaries to the posted boundaries, the daily and possession limit is two walleye 17 inches or greater, only one of which can be over 20 inches. All other walleye must be returned immediately to the water.

Fishing regulations for all other species, including northern pike, largemouth and smallmouth bass, muskellunge, cisco, perch and panfish, are unaffected by this order.

Sarah Strommen, Commissioner

Date: 8/13/2025

**AGENCY CONTACT.** For additional information or to receive this document in an alternative format please contact: Brian Nerbonne, Division of Fish and Wildlife, Department of Natural Resources, 1200 Warner Rd., St. Paul, MN 55106, Phone: 651-259-5789, Email: [brian.nerbonne@state.mn.us](mailto:brian.nerbonne@state.mn.us).

## Official Notices

Pursuant to *Minnesota Statutes* §§ 14.101, an agency must first solicit comments from the public on the subject matter of a possible rulemaking proposal under active consideration within the agency by publishing a notice in the *State Register* at least 60 days before publication of a notice to adopt or a notice of hearing, and within 60 days of the effective date of any new statutory grant of required rulemaking.

The *State Register* also publishes other official notices of state agencies and non-state agencies, including notices of meetings and matters of public interest.

## Minnesota Board of Electricity and the Minnesota Department of Labor and Industry

### Request for Comments for Possible Amendment to Rules Governing Licensing, Minnesota Rules, Chapter 3800; Revisor's ID Number R-04949

**Subject of Rules.** The Minnesota Board of Electricity ("Board") requests comments on its possible amendments to Minnesota Rules, chapter 3800, Licensing. The main purpose of this possible rulemaking is to adopt several amendments that regulate requirements for approval of electrical training programs that fulfill the experience credit requirements for electrical licensure applicants and are currently located in Minnesota Rules, chapter 3801. Those existing rules governing training requirements found in chapter 3801 are being repealed as a part of a contemporaneous rulemaking effort with the Department of Labor and Industry. While the present board rulemaking will relocate those existing training program requirements into chapter 3800, no substantive changes to those requirements are proposed. The possible rule amendments also update requirements related to the minimum acceptable experience requirements for electrical licensure.

**Persons Affected.** The proposed amendment to the rules would likely affect: administrators and department heads of educational training programs; electrical contractors; master and journeymen electricians; electrical installers; maintenance electricians; electrical equipment suppliers; elevator contractors and constructors; power limited technicians; code enforcement authorities; employers of persons who perform electrical work; and persons who wish to perform electrical work.

**Statutory Authority.** Minnesota Statutes, section 326B.32, establishes the Minnesota Board of Electricity and the

powers and duties of the board, among other things. Specifically, Minnesota Statutes, section 326B.32, subdivision 2(a), authorizes the Board to adopt rules regulating the licensure and registration of electrical businesses, electrical contractors, master electricians, journeyworker electricians, Class A installers, Class B installers, power limited technicians, and other persons who perform electrical work, except for those individuals licensed under Minnesota Statutes, section 326.02, subdivisions 2 and 3.

**Agency Contact Person.** Written comments, questions, and requests for more information on these possible rules should be directed to Amanda Spuckler at Department of Labor and Industry, 443 Lafayette Road North, St. Paul, MN 55155, telephone (651) 284-5006, and email: [dli.rules@state.mn.us](mailto:dli.rules@state.mn.us).

**Public Comment.** Interested persons or groups may submit comments or information on these possible rules in writing until further notice is published in the *State Register* that the Board intends to adopt or to withdraw the rules.

The Board will not publish a notice of intent to adopt the rules until more than 60 days have elapsed from the date of this request for comments.

The Board does not plan to appoint an advisory committee to comment on the possible rules.

The Board is also interested in whether local governments might be required to adopt or amend an ordinance or other regulation to implement these rules and therefore requests that local governments provide us with relevant information about their ordinances. Additionally, the Board request any information pertaining to the cumulative effect of this rule with other federal and state regulations related to the specific purpose of the rule. Cumulative effect means the impact that results from incremental impact of the proposed rule in addition to other rules, regardless of what state or federal agency has adopted the other rules.

The Board is also interested in determining whether the cost of complying with the rule in the first year after the rule takes effect will cost or exceed \$25,000 for any small city or small business under Minnesota Statutes, section 14.127, subdivision 1. A small city is a statutory or home rule charter city that has less than ten full-time employees and a small business means a business that has less than 50 full-time employees.

This public comment opportunity is associated with the development of possible rules. Comments received in response to this notice will not necessarily be included in the formal rulemaking record submitted to the Administrative Law Judge if and when a proceeding to adopt rules is started. The Board is required to submit to the judge only those written comments received in response to the rules after they are proposed in the Notice for Hearing. If you submit comments during the development of the rules and you want to ensure that the Administrative Law Judge reviews your comments, you must resubmit the comments after the rules are formally proposed.

**Rules Drafts.** The Board does not anticipate that a draft of the rule amendments will be available before the publication of the proposed rules in the Notice for Hearing.

**Alternative Format.** Upon request, this information can be made available in an alternative format, such as large print, braille, or audio. To make such a request or if you need an accommodation to make any possible hearing accessible, please contact the agency contact person at the address or telephone number listed above.

Date: 8/11/2025

Trevor Turek  
Chair  
Minnesota Board of Electricity

# Official Notices

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## Minnesota Department of Health (MDH)

### Division of Health Policy

#### **Notice of Limited Exception from Minnesota's Requirements for the Standard, Electronic Exchange of Eligibility (270/271) Transactions for Payers Not Subject to HIPAA Transactions and Code Sets Regulations is Continued Through July 31, 2026**

Minnesota Statutes, section 621.536 requires that health care providers, clearinghouses, and group purchasers (payers) exchange specified administrative transactions electronically, using a standard data content and format adopted in rule. The statute also authorizes the Commissioner of Health to exempt group purchasers not subject to federal HIPAA administrative transactions and code sets regulations from one or more of the state's data exchange requirements on a year- to-year basis if the Commissioner determines that:

- i. a transaction is incapable of exchanging data that are currently being exchanged on paper and is necessary to accomplish the purpose of the transaction; or
- ii. another national electronic transaction standard would be more appropriate and effective to accomplish the purpose of the transaction.

Group purchasers not subject to HIPAA administrative transactions and code sets regulations include workers' compensation, auto, and property and casualty carriers.

MDH consults annually with the Minnesota Administrative Uniformity Committee (AUC) to determine whether to grant the year-to-year exception described above. Based on these consultations, MDH previously granted very narrowly targeted, annually renewable exceptions to the rules adopted pursuant to Minnesota Statutes §621.536 as described above for the years 2009 through 2019. The exceptions were limited to only group purchasers not subject to HIPAA transactions and code sets regulations, who were exempted from the data exchange requirements for only the ASC X12/005010X279A1 Health Care Eligibility Benefit Inquiry and Response (270/271) transaction because it did not meet their business needs (i.e., statutory criterion "i" above was met).

Note: As a result of the competing demands of the COVID-19 pandemic response, the annual cycle of exception reviews and renewals above was suspended from 2020-2023. During that time, the previously approved exception from 2019 continued to remain in force unchanged. The annual exception review process was restarted in 2023 and the exception was renewed for the period June 2023 – July 2024 and again for the period July 2024 – July 2025

MDH consulted with the AUC in June 2025 regarding the continued need for the targeted exemption described above. MDH determined through the review and consultation process that the current limited exception to Minnesota's health care administrative data exchange rules will continue through July 31, 2026. This exception applies only to exchanges of the ASC X12/005010X279A1 Health Care Eligibility Benefit Inquiry and Response (270/271) transaction with health care group purchasers that are not subject to federal HIPAA transactions and code sets regulations, and only through July 31, 2026.

The next annual review of this exception to rules adopted pursuant to Minnesota Statutes §62J.536 is tentatively scheduled for June 2026, to determine whether the exception will be continued through July 2027.

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Date: 8/6/2025

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## Minnesota Department of Labor and Industry and the Minnesota Board of Electricity

### Request for Comments for Possible Amendment to Rules Governing Electrical Procedures and Training, Minnesota Rules, Chapter 3801; Revisor's ID Number R-04950

**Subject of Rules.** The Minnesota Department of Labor and Industry ("Department") requests comments on its possible rule amendments to Minnesota Rules, chapter 3801, Electrical Procedures and Training. The main purpose of this possible rulemaking is to repeal several amendments in Minnesota Rules, chapter 3801, that regulate requirements for approval of electrical training programs. The Minnesota Board of Electricity is proposing to adopt these requirements as amendments to chapter 3800, Licensing without substantive change, as a part of a contemporaneous rulemaking. The possible rule amendments to chapter 3801 also update requirements related to the approval of electrical equipment and requests for electrical permits.

**Persons Affected.** The proposed amendment to the rules would likely affect: administrators and department heads of educational training programs; electrical contractors; master and journeymen electricians; electrical installers; maintenance electricians; electrical equipment suppliers; elevator contractors and constructors; power limited technicians; code enforcement authorities; employers of persons who perform electrical work; and persons who wish to perform electrical work.

**Statutory Authority.** *Minnesota Statutes*, 326B.02, subdivision 5, authorizes, in part, the Commissioner of the Department of Labor and Industry ("Commissioner") to adopt, amend, suspend, and repeal rules relating to the Commissioner's responsibilities under Chapter 326B, except for rules for which the rulemaking authority is expressly transferred to the Plumbing Board, the Board of Electricity, or the Board of High Pressure Piping Systems. The Legislature has not granted the Board of Electricity expressed authority for the adoption of rules regulating electrical procedures, which include the approval of electrical equipment and the issuance of electrical permits. It is the Commissioner of the Department of Labor and Industry who is statutorily responsible under Chapter 326B for the adoption and enforcement of rules governing the approval of electrical equipment and the issuance of electrical permits.<sup>1</sup>

**Agency Contact Person.** Written comments, questions, and requests for more information on these possible rules should be directed to Amanda Spuckler at Department of Labor and Industry, 443 Lafayette Road North, St. Paul, MN 55155, telephone (651) 284-5006, and email: [dli.rules@state.mn.us](mailto:dli.rules@state.mn.us).

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<sup>1</sup> See Minnesota Statutes, section 326B.32, subdivision 2 (a).

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state or federal agency has adopted the other rules.

The Department is also interested in determining whether the cost of complying with the rule in the first year after the rule takes effect will cost or exceed \$25,000 for any small city or small business under Minnesota Statutes, section 14.127, subdivision 1. A small city is a statutory or home rule charter city that has less than ten full-time employees and a small business means a business that has less than 50 full-time employees.

This public comment opportunity is associated with the development of possible rules. Comments received in response to this notice will not necessarily be included in the formal rulemaking record submitted to the Administrative Law Judge if and when a proceeding to adopt rules is started. The Department is required to submit to the judge only those written comments received in response to the rules after they are proposed in the Notice for Hearing. If you submit comments during the development of the rules and you want to ensure that the Administrative Law Judge reviews your comments, you must resubmit the comments after the rules are formally proposed.

**Rules Drafts.** The Department does not anticipate that a draft of the rules amendments will be available before the publication of the proposed rules in the Notice for Hearing.

**Alternative Format.** Upon request, this information can be made available in an alternative format, such as large print, braille, or audio. To make such a request or if you need an accommodation to make any possible hearing accessible, please contact the agency contact person at the address or telephone number listed above.

Date: 8/11/2025

Nicole Blissenbach  
Commissioner  
Minnesota Department of Labor and Industry

## State Grants & Loans

In addition to requests by state agencies for technical/professional services (published in the State Contracts Section), the *State Register* also publishes notices about grants and loans available through any agency or branch of state government. Although some grant and loan programs specifically require printing in a statewide publication such as the *State Register*, there is no requirement for publication in the *State Register* itself. Agencies are encouraged to publish grant and loan notices, and to provide financial estimates as well as sufficient time for interested parties to respond.

SEE ALSO: Office of Grants Management (OGM) at: <https://mn.gov/admin/citizen/grants/>

## Department of Employment and Economic Development (DEED) Notice of Grant Opportunity

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development (DEED) places notice of any available grant opportunities online at <https://mn.gov/deed/about/contracts/open-rfp.jsp>

## Minnesota Department of Human Services Notice of Grant Opportunities

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the Minnesota Department of Human Services (DHS) places notice of any available grant opportunities on the DHS Grant Requests for Proposals website: ***Open grants, RFPs and RFIs.***

# State Contracts

**Informal Solicitations:** Informal solicitations for professional/technical (consultant) contracts valued at over \$5,000 through \$50,000, may either be published in the *State Register* or posted on the Department of Administration, Office of State Procurement (OSP) Website. Interested vendors are encouraged to monitor the P/T Contract Section of the OSP Website at <https://mn.gov/admin/osp> for informal solicitation announcements.

**Formal Solicitations:** Department of Administration procedures require that formal solicitations (announcements for contracts with an estimated value over \$50,000) for professional/technical contracts must be published in the *State Register*. Certain quasi-state agency and Minnesota State College and University institutions are exempt from these requirements.

**Requirements:** There are no statutes or rules requiring contracts to be advertised for any specific length of time, but the Office of State Procurement strongly recommends meeting the following requirements: \$0 - \$5000 does not need to be advertised; \$5,000 - \$25,000 should be advertised in the *State Register* for a period of at least seven calendar days; \$25,000 - \$50,000 should be advertised in the *State Register* for a period of at least 14 calendar days; and anything above \$50,000 should be advertised in the *State Register* for a minimum of at least 21 calendar days.

Contact the Office of State Procurement at: (651) 296-2600

## Minnesota State Colleges and Universities (Minnesota State) Notice of Bid and Contracting Opportunities

Minnesota State advertises contract opportunities for goods and services on its Vendor and Supplier Opportunities website (<https://www.minnstate.edu/vendors/index.html>). New notices may be added daily and will remain posted for the duration specified in each individual notice. For questions or to report any issues viewing the information on the website, please email Minnesota State at [Sourcing@MinnState.edu](mailto:Sourcing@MinnState.edu).

## Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDOT) Engineering Services Division Notices Regarding Professional/Technical (P/T) Contracting

**P/T Contracting Opportunities:** MnDOT is now placing additional public notices for P/T contract opportunities on the MnDOT's Consultant Services website. New public notices may be added to the website on a daily basis and be available for the time period as indicated within the public notice.

**Taxpayers' Transportation Accountability Act (TTAA) Notices:** MnDOT is posting notices as required by the TTAA on the MnDOT Consultant Services website.

**MnDOT's Prequalification Program:** MnDOT maintains a Pre-Qualification Program in order to streamline the process of contracting for highway related P/T services. Program information, application requirements, application forms and contact information can be found on MnDOT's Consultant Services website. Applications may be submitted at any time for this Program.

**MnDOT Consultant Services website:** [www.dot.state.mn.us/consult](http://www.dot.state.mn.us/consult)

If you have any questions regarding this notice, or are having problems viewing the information on the Consultant Services website, please call the Consultant Services Help Line at 651-366-4611, Monday – Friday, 9:00am – 4:00pm.



# Non-State Public Bids, Contracts & Grants

The State Register also serves as a central marketplace for contracts let out on bid by the public sector. The *State Register* meets state and federal guidelines for statewide circulation of public notices. Any tax-supported institution or government jurisdiction may advertise contracts and requests for proposals from the private sector. It is recommended that contracts and RFPs include the following: 1) name of contact person; 2) institution name, address, and telephone number; 3) brief description of commodity, project or tasks; 4) cost estimate; and 5) final submission date of completed contract proposal. Allow at least three weeks from publication date (four weeks from the date article is submitted for publication). Surveys show that subscribers are interested in hearing about contracts for estimates as low as \$1,000. Contact editor for further details.

Besides the following listing, readers are advised to check: <https://mn.gov/admin/osp> as well as the Office of Grants Management (OGM) at: <https://mn.gov/admin/citizen/grants/>.

## Metropolitan Airports Commission (MAC) Notice of Request for Statements of Qualification for General Legal Services

The Metropolitan Airports Commission (“MAC”) is requesting Statements of Qualifications (SOQ) from law firms interested in assisting MAC with General Legal Services.

MAC’s Request for Qualifications for General Legal Services is available on the following website at: <https://metroairports.bonfirehub.com/portal/?tab=openOpportunities>.

The SOQs are due on or before 4:00 p.m. on Monday, September 8, 2025.

## Minnesota Home Care Orientation Trust Request for Proposals for Legal Services

The Minnesota Home Care Orientation Trust (“The Trust”) is requesting bids for contracted legal services. The Trust was established by the Minnesota Legislature (MN Statutes 179A.54, subd. 11) and is structured similar to a Taft-Hartley labor-management Trust but is not covered by the Taft-Hartley Act. The purpose of this organization is to provide an orientation program for Direct Support Workers (also known as Personal Care Attendants or Caregivers) who provide home care services to people with disabilities and seniors through the State of Minnesota’s consumer-directed home care programs.

The Trust is issuing a Request for Proposals (RFP) for legal services. The Trust is a new organization. Bidders for legal services will be expected to provide legal services needed for starting up and establishing The Trust as well as supporting ongoing operations.

Potential bidders can request a copy of the full RFP by emailing: [MNHCOT@gmail.com](mailto:MNHCOT@gmail.com). Proposals are due September 10, 2025.

