



**Date:** June 12, 2025

**To:** Legislative Advisory Commission Members

Senator Erin P. Murphy  
Senate Majority Leader

Senator John Marty, Chair  
Senate Finance Committee

Senator Tou Xiong, Chair  
State and Local Government Committee

Representative Lisa Demuth  
Speaker of the House

Representative Zack Stephenson, Co-Chair  
Ways and Means Committee

Representative Jim Nash, Co-Chair  
State Government Finance and Policy  
Committee

**From:** Erin Campbell, Secretary, Legislative Advisory Commission

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**RE:** Legislative Advisory Commission (LAC) Round Robin Recommendation Request, M.S. 3.30

We are requesting a recommendation from the LAC on the following request:

**Transfer from the General Fund Contingent Account in FY 2025**

**Amount**

To: Governor's Office – Legal Services Related to Congressional Hearing and Testimony	\$430,000
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On April 10, 2025, House Oversight Committee Chair Rep. James Comer sent a letter to Governor Walz requesting testimony at a House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform on federal-state interaction on immigration and public safety policy. The Attorney General's Office provided legal representation initially but recommended engaging outside counsel due to the specialized nature of the Congressional hearing. The Attorney General's Office had an existing contract with and Special Attorney Appointment for the firm K&L Gates LLP. Accordingly, the State agreed to use K&L Gates to prepare for the hearing, and to ensure that the State, administrative agencies, and the Governor were well-represented.

This transfer is to pay outside legal counsel for services rendered in preparation for the June 12, 2025 House Oversight Committee, "A Hearing With Sanctuary State Governors" and for any necessary follow up services. The transfer is for \$430,000.00 from the General Contingent Account to pay for the specialized services.

Separate round robin recommendation signature forms are attached for each individual LAC member to expedite this request. Please review the request within ten days and if you approve, return the



signed LAC round robin recommendation form to Dan Hintz, Budget Coordinator, Minnesota Management and Budget, at [Daniel.Hintz@state.mn.us](mailto:Daniel.Hintz@state.mn.us).

If you have any questions, please contact Mary Fee, General Counsel, Governor's Office, at [Mary.Fee@state.mn.us](mailto:Mary.Fee@state.mn.us) or 612-562-3538.

Attachment

cc: Emily Adriaens, House Chief Fiscal Analyst  
Eric Nauman, Senate Lead Fiscal Analyst  
Michelle Yurich, Executive Director, Legislative Coordinating Commission

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**Round Robin Recommendation**

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