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DATE	D-PG	OFFICIAL STATUS
03/20/2019	1062	Introduction and first reading
		Referred to Human Services Reform Finance and Policy
03/26/2019	1364	Comm report: To pass and re-referred to Health and Human Services Finance and Policy
		Joint rule 2.03, referred to Rules and Administration
	4689	Joint rule 3.02, returned to Human Services Reform Finance and Policy
03/16/2020		Comm report: To pass as amended and re-refer to Health and Human Services Finance and Policy

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A bill for an act

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relating to human services; prohibiting transfers by the commissioner of human

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services; requiring a report; amending Minnesota Statutes 2018, sections 16A.011,

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by adding a subdivision; 16A.285.

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

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Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 16A.011, is amended by adding a subdivision

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to read:

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Subd. 15a. **Transfer.** A "transfer" means the authorization to move state money from

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one fund, account, or agency to another fund, account, or agency within the state treasury.

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When authorized by law, a transfer must reduce money in one fund, account, or agency and

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increase the same amount to a separate fund, account, or agency.

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Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2018, section 16A.285, is amended to read:

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16A.285 ALLOWED APPROPRIATION TRANSFERS.

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Subdivision 1. **Allowed appropriation transfers.** An agency in the executive, legislative,

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or judicial branch may transfer state agency operational money between programs within

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the same fund if: (1) the agency first notifies the commissioner as to the type and intent of

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the transfer; and (2) the transfer is consistent with legislative intent. If an amount is specified

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for an item within an activity, that amount must not be transferred or used for any other

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purpose.

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The commissioner shall report the transfers to the chairs of the senate finance and house

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of representatives ways and means committees.

2.1 Subd. 2. **Prohibited appropriation transfers.** Notwithstanding subdivision 1 or any
2.2 other law to the contrary, neither the commissioner of management and budget nor the
2.3 commissioner of human services shall make any transfer for the Department of Human
2.4 Services.

2.5 Sec. 3. **DIRECTION TO THE COMMISSIONER OF HUMAN SERVICES; REPORT**
2.6 **ON STATUTORY APPROPRIATIONS.**

2.7 By October 1, 2021, the commissioner of human services shall submit to the chairs and
2.8 ranking minority members of the legislative committees with jurisdiction over human
2.9 services finance a report identifying every statutory appropriation to the commissioner of
2.10 human services. The report must include the fund to which the appropriation is made, the
2.11 statutory citation for the appropriation, the revenue source related to the statutory
2.12 appropriation, the rationale for the appropriation being a statutory appropriation, and the
2.13 current projected revenue and expenditures related to the statutory appropriation.