

54.1 manufacturers' representatives, and others from eligibility under sections 16C.16 to
54.2 16C.21.

54.3 (c) The commissioner may make rules that set time limits and other eligibility limits
54.4 on business participation in programs under sections 16C.16 to 16C.21.

54.5 (d) Notwithstanding paragraph (c), for purposes of sections 16C.16 to 16C.21,
54.6 a veteran-owned small business or service-disabled veteran-owned small business, the
54.7 principal place of business of which is in Minnesota, is certified if:

54.8 (1) it has been verified by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs as being
54.9 a veteran-owned small business in accordance with Public Law 109-461 and Code of
54.10 Federal Regulations, title 38, part 74, and a majority of the owners of the business are
54.11 recently separated veterans as provided in section 16C.16, subdivision 6a; or

54.12 (2) it has been verified by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs as being
54.13 a service-disabled veteran-owned small business in accordance with Public Law 109-461
54.14 and Code of Federal Regulations, title 38, part 74.

54.15 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2009, and applies to
54.16 procurement contract bid solicitations issued on and after that date.

54.17 Sec. 58. Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 16C.20, is amended to read:

54.18 **16C.20 CERTIFICATION.**

54.19 A business that is certified by the commissioner of administration as a small
54.20 business, small targeted group business, ~~or~~ a small business located in an economically
54.21 disadvantaged area, or a veteran-owned small business is eligible to participate under the
54.22 requirements of sections 137.31 and 161.321 and, if certified as a small business, ~~or~~ small
54.23 targeted group business, or veteran-owned small business, under section 473.142 without
54.24 further certification by the contracting agency.

54.25 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2009, and applies to
54.26 procurement contract bid solicitations issued on and after that date.

54.27 Sec. 59. **[16E.22] STATEWIDE ELECTRONIC LICENSING SYSTEM.**

54.28 Subdivision 1. **Account established; appropriation.** The statewide electronic
54.29 licensing account is created in the special revenue fund. Receipts and transfers credited to
54.30 the account are appropriated to the state chief information officer for completion of the
54.31 Minnesota electronic licensing system, for transferring licensing agencies to the system,
54.32 and for operation and maintenance of the system during the completion and transfer period.

55.1 Subd. 2. Requirements. The transfer of an existing electronic licensing system
55.2 to the Minnesota electronic licensing system may not reduce the critical functionality
55.3 provided by the existing system.

55.4 Subd. 3. Temporary licensing surcharge. (a) Except as provided in this
55.5 subdivision, executive branch state agencies shall collect a temporary surcharge of ten
55.6 percent of the licensing fee, but no less than \$5 and no more than \$150 on each business,
55.7 commercial, professional, or occupational license that:

55.8 (1) requires a fee; and

55.9 (2) will be transferred to the Minnesota electronic licensing system, as determined
55.10 by the state chief information officer.

55.11 The surcharge applies to initial license applications and license renewals. Each agency
55.12 that issues a license subject to this subdivision shall collect the surcharge for the license
55.13 for up to six years between July 1, 2009, and June 30, 2015, as directed by the state
55.14 chief information officer. Receipts from the surcharge shall be deposited in the statewide
55.15 licensing account established in subdivision 1.

55.16 (b) An agency may transfer an amount equivalent to the surcharge imposed under this
55.17 section from existing license accounts to the statewide electronic licensing system account
55.18 in lieu of collecting the surcharge required under this section. If a transfer is made under
55.19 this subdivision or under section 45.24, the temporary surcharge required under paragraph
55.20 (a) does not apply to the relevant license. Transfers received under this paragraph shall be
55.21 deposited in the statewide licensing account established in subdivision 1.

55.22 (c) In lieu of collecting the surcharge imposed in paragraph (a), during each fiscal
55.23 year beginning July 1, 2009, and ending June 30, 2015, one or more health-related boards
55.24 established in chapter 214 may transfer funds from the health occupations licensing
55.25 account in the state government special revenue fund to the statewide electronic licensing
55.26 system account to meet the requirements under paragraph (b). If the commissioner of
55.27 finance determines that the balance of the health occupations licensing account established
55.28 in section 214.06, subdivision 1a, is insufficient to make transfers under paragraph (b),
55.29 then the temporary surcharge required under paragraph (a) must be applied to the relevant
55.30 licenses.

55.31 (d) Department of Commerce licensees who are paying for an existing electronic
55.32 licensing database system under section 45.24 must not be required to pay the surcharge
55.33 under this section.

55.34 Subd. 4. Contract authority. The state chief information officer may enter into
55.35 a risk-share or phased agreement with a vendor to complete the Minnesota electronic
55.36 licensing system and to transfer licensing agencies to the system, provided that the

56.1 payment for the vendor's services under the agreement is limited to the revenue from the
56.2 surcharge enacted under subdivision 3, after payment of state operating and maintenance
56.3 costs. The agreement must clearly indicate that the state chief information officer may
56.4 only expend amounts actually collected from the surcharge, after state operations and
56.5 maintenance costs have been paid, in payment for the vendor's services and that the vendor
56.6 assumes this risk when performing work under the contract. This section does not require
56.7 the state chief information officer to pay the vendor the entire amount of the surcharge
56.8 revenue that remains after payment of state operations and maintenance costs. Before
56.9 entering into a contract under this subdivision, the state chief information officer must
56.10 consult with the commissioner of finance regarding the implementation of the surcharge
56.11 and the terms of the contract.

56.12 Subd. 5. **Unused funds.** Money remaining in the statewide electronic licensing
56.13 account after payment of all costs of completing the Minnesota electronic licensing
56.14 system, transferring licensing agencies to the system, and operating and maintaining
56.15 the system during the completion and transfer period is appropriated to the state chief
56.16 information officer for the costs of operating and maintaining the Minnesota electronic
56.17 licensing system after the system has been completed.

56.18 Subd. 6. **Priority.** To the extent possible, in completing the Minnesota electronic
56.19 licensing system, the state chief information officer must give priority to licenses that are
56.20 not issued electronically. Licenses regulated by a health board under chapter 214 must not
56.21 be transferred to the Minnesota electronic licensing system before July 1, 2011.

56.22 Subd. 7. **Expiration.** This section expires on June 30, 2017.

56.23 Sec. 60. Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 31.60, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

56.24 Subdivision 1. **Division duties; director; personnel.** A Meat Industry Division is
56.25 created in the Department of Agriculture which shall enforce and administer laws enforced
56.26 and administered by the commissioner of agriculture relating to meat, fish, and dressed
56.27 poultry, except laws enforced and administered by the Division of Poultry Industries. The
56.28 Meat Industry Division is under the supervision of a director in the classified service. The
56.29 commissioner shall appoint the director from the register as certified by the Minnesota
56.30 ~~Department of Finance~~, who shall be experienced and knowledgeable in the meat industry.

56.31 Sec. 61. Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 43A.1815, is amended to read:

56.32 **43A.1815 VACATION DONATION TO SICK LEAVE ACCOUNT.**

56.33 (a) In addition to donations under section 43A.181, a state employee may donate
56.34 a total of up to ~~12~~ 40 hours of accrued vacation leave each fiscal year to the sick leave

