

1.1 Senator moves to amend S.F. No. 856 as follows:

1.2 Page 3, line 15, after "general" insert "is in the executive branch and"

1.3 Page 3, line 16, delete "chief administrative law judge under chapter 14" and insert
1.4 "governor"

1.5 Page 3, line 18, delete everything after "authority" and insert a period

1.6 Page 5, after line 4, insert:

1.7 "Subd. 4. **Vacancy.** The Legislative Inspector General Advisory Commission must
1.8 provide recommendations to the governor for appointment to fill a vacancy in the position
1.9 of the inspector general within 90 days of a vacancy occurring or within 60 days of being
1.10 advised by the inspector general that a vacancy is expected to occur. The governor must
1.11 appoint an inspector general within 30 days of receiving recommendations from the
1.12 Legislative Inspector General Advisory Commission or within 45 days of a vacancy occurring
1.13 if the advisory commission does not provide recommendations within the time allotted for
1.14 recommendations under this subdivision."

1.15 Renumber the subdivisions in sequence

1.16 Page 5, line 17, after "removed" insert "by the governor"

1.17 Page 5, line 18, after "hearing" insert "conducted by the governor"

1.18 Page 6, line 10, delete "before an investigation is concluded" and delete "reasonable
1.19 suspicion" and insert "concern"

1.20 Page 6, line 24, after "to" insert "the" and delete "fraud" and insert "program"

1.21 Page 7, line 5, after "auditor" insert ", and to the commissioner of human services for
1.22 reports related to Medicaid"

1.23 Page 7, line 6, after "auditor" insert ", and the commissioner of human services for
1.24 investigations related to Medicaid,"

1.25 Page 7, after line 7, insert:

1.26 "Subd. 3. **Exceptions for federal funding.** The inspector general must not comply with
1.27 any provision under this section if compliance with the provision would prevent the state
1.28 from receiving federal financial participation for the medical assistance program or result
1.29 in a lower level of coverage or reduced access to coverage for medical assistance enrollees."

1.30 Page 9, line 3, after "auditor" insert "or commissioner of human services"

1.31 Page 11, line 15, delete "chief administrative law judge" and insert "governor"

- 2.1 Page 12, line 5, delete "chief administrative law" and insert "governor"
- 2.2 Page 12, line 6, delete "judge"
- 2.3 Page 12, line 28, before "By" insert "Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section 15D.03,
- 2.4 subdivision 4,"
- 2.5 Page 12, line 30, delete everything after the first "the" and insert "governor"
- 2.6 Page 13, line 1, delete "of Administrative Hearings"
- 2.7 Page 14, line 20, after "Positions" insert ", and assets and unused appropriations related
- 2.8 to these positions,"
- 2.9 Page 14, line 28, delete "Positions in the following divisions and teams" and insert "No
- 2.10 employees or positions"
- 2.11 Page 14, line 29, delete "not" and delete the colon and insert a period
- 2.12 Page 14, delete lines 30 and 31
- 2.13 Page 15, delete lines 1 to 10
- 2.14 Page 15, line 25, after the period, insert "The agreement must not preclude the agency
- 2.15 from performing, or give the inspector general authority to take actions that would interfere
- 2.16 with the agency's ability to perform, duties required as a condition for securing or maintaining
- 2.17 federal funding."
- 2.18 Page 15, line 31, after "misuse" insert "when an independent investigation is pursued"
- 2.19 Page 16, line 9, after "misuse" insert "when an independent investigation is pursued"
- 2.20 Page 16, delete section 18 and insert:
- 2.21 "Sec. 18. **APPROPRIATIONS.**
- 2.22 (a) \$644,000 in fiscal year 2026 and \$430,000 in fiscal year 2027 are appropriated from
- 2.23 the general fund to the commissioner of administration to establish the Office of the Inspector
- 2.24 General. This is a onetime appropriation.
- 2.25 (b) \$3,034,000 in fiscal year 2026 and \$4,432,000 in fiscal year 2027 are appropriated
- 2.26 from the general fund to the Office of the Inspector General for purposes of this act. The
- 2.27 base for this appropriation is \$4,439,000 in fiscal year 2028 and \$4,474,000 in fiscal year
- 2.28 2029 and each fiscal year thereafter. The commissioner of administration, in consultation
- 2.29 with the commissioner of management and budget, may transfer amounts in fiscal year

- 3.1 2026 to the commissioner of administration for office build out, cost of space, office
- 3.2 equipment, and other costs directly related to the establishment of the office."
- 3.3 Page 19, line 32, delete "Departments" and insert "Department" and delete everything
- 3.4 after "Education"
- 3.5 Page 20, line 1, delete "and Families"