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Laws of 2023, Chapter 41, created the Postsecondary Unemployment Insurance Aid program in Minnesota Statute, Section 268.193. Money appropriated for this program must be distributed to colleges and universities in the system by calculating “the difference between fiscal year 2022’s unemployment insurance costs and the current year’s unemployment insurance costs, as reflected in the unemployment insurance employer accounts maintained by the state. If the total eligible unemployment insurance aid for a fiscal year is greater than the annual appropriation for that year, [the system] must proportionately reduce the aid payment to each eligible entity.” This program was established to help defray increased employer costs associated with law changes that extended potential eligibility for unemployment insurance benefits to people who have worked at a postsecondary educational institution and are between academic years, if the applicant’s work was in a capacity other than instruction, research, or principal administration.

Based on the expanded eligibility allowed by the expanded provisions in the law, a legislative fiscal note prepared by Minnesota State estimated potential increases in annual unemployment costs to the system of \$809,000. This estimate was based on current staffing levels and cost parameters provided by the state Department of Employment and Economic Development (DEED), which oversees the state’s Unemployment Insurance program.

Based on the fiscal note, \$809,000 was appropriated in each year of the 2024-2025 biennium “for unemployment insurance aid under Minnesota Statutes, section 268.193, to institutions within the system.”

Laws of 2023, Chapter 41, also required that, by January 15 of each year, Minnesota State must report to the higher education committees of the legislature on “the balances in unemployment insurance aid accounts and information about the annual changes in reimbursable costs for higher education workers receiving unemployment insurance benefits. To the extent possible, the report must break out the costs by campus and major job classes.”

Since financial accounting for fiscal year 2024 closed in August of 2024, the report on fiscal year 2024 activity would have been due on January 15, 2025. We apologize for the delay in this report and offer the following information in explanation.

The history of Minnesota State college and university unemployment insurance accounts pre-dates the creation of the Minnesota State system. Each of the system’s colleges and universities has always managed its own accounts locally. The Unemployment Insurance program at DEED provides robust security and limited access to the private information tracked in these accounts. Only after a series of exchanges and meetings could the Minnesota State system office be provided with a system-wide report, confirming that it included all the proper accounts needed to make system-wide cost calculations. Because the unemployment insurance staff at DEED has also been deeply involved with the creation of the new Minnesota Paid Leave program, the report development took

much longer than initially anticipated. For privacy reasons, the report is limited to showing the claim costs assessed to each account, but with no detail on the recipients.

The table on the following page breaks down fiscal year unemployment insurance claims cost increases by campus or institution based on the structure each college or university has established. Based on these numbers, a total of \$463,447.58 is going out in aid to colleges and universities for fiscal year 2024 costs. After these payments, the balance in Minnesota State's FY2024 appropriation of \$809,000 will be \$345,552.42.

Accounting for fiscal year 2025 will close in August, 2025. The report for that year will be submitted by the due date of January 15, 2026.

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE ACCOUNT	FY24 Unempl Insur Aid Amt
ALEXANDRIA TECHNICAL COLLEGE	\$ 10,441.96
ANOKA-HENNEPIN TECHNICAL COLLEGE	\$ 13,031.71
ANOKA-RAMSEY COMMUNITY COLLEGE - CAMBRIDGE	\$ 1,084.22
ANOKA-RAMSEY COMMUNITY COLLEGE - COON RAPIDS	\$ 16,239.57
BEMIDJI STATE UNIVERSITY	\$ 22,471.93
CENTRAL LAKES COLLEGE	\$ 21,771.06
CENTURY COLLEGE	\$ -
DAKOTA COUNTY TECHNICAL COLLEGE	\$ -
FOND DU LAC TRIBAL & COMMUNITY COLLEGE	\$ -
HENNEPIN TECHNICAL COLLEGE - BROOKLYN PARK	\$ 48,407.65
HENNEPIN TECHNICAL COLLEGE - EDEN PRAIRIE	\$ 14,054.20
HENNEPIN TECHNICAL COLLEGE- BROOKLYN PARK	\$ -
INVER HILLS COMMUNITY COLLEGE	\$ 155.36
LAKE SUPERIOR COLLEGE	\$ -
METRO STATE UNIVERSITY	\$ 6,411.81
MINNEAPOLIS COMMUNITY & TECHNICAL COLLEGE	\$ -
MINNESOTA STATE COLLEGE SOUTHEAST - RED WING	\$ -
MINNESOTA STATE COLLEGE SOUTHEAST - WINONA	\$ 32,843.31
MINNESOTA STATE COLLEGES & UNIVERSITIES SYSTEM OFFICE	\$ -
MINNESOTA STATE COMMUNITY & TECHNICAL COLLEGE - DETROIT LAKES	\$ -
MINNESOTA STATE COMMUNITY & TECHNICAL COLLEGE - FERGUS FALLS CAMPUS	\$ -
MINNESOTA STATE COMMUNITY & TECHNICAL COLLEGE - MOORHEAD	\$ -
MINNESOTA STATE COMMUNITY & TECHNICAL COLLEGE - WADENA	\$ 10,992.80
MINNESOTA STATE UNIVERSITY MANKATO	\$ 39,025.69
MINNESOTA STATE UNIVERSITY MOORHEAD	\$ -
MINNESOTA STATE UNIVERSITY ST CLOUD	\$ -
MINNESOTA STATE UNIVERSITY WINONA	\$ -
MINNESOTA WEST COMMUNITY & TECHNICAL COLLEGE - CANBY	\$ -
MINNESOTA WEST COMMUNITY & TECHNICAL COLLEGE - GRANITE FALLS	\$ 36,922.00
MINNESOTA WEST COMMUNITY & TECHNICAL COLLEGE - JACKSON	\$ -
MINNESOTA WEST COMMUNITY & TECHNICAL COLLEGE - PIPESTONE	\$ -
MINNESOTA WEST COMMUNITY & TECHNICAL COLLEGE - WORTHINGTON	\$ -
Mn North- HIBBING COMMUNITY COLLEGE	\$ -
Mn North- ITASCA COMMUNITY COLLEGE	\$ -
Mn North- MESABI RANGE COLLEGE	\$ -
Mn North- RAINY RIVER COMMUNITY COLLEGE	\$ -
Mn North- VERMILION COMMUNITY COLLEGE	\$ 13,382.42
NORMANDALE COMMUNITY COLLEGE	\$ 6,335.67
NORTH HENNEPIN COMMUNITY COLLEGE	\$ 1,936.62
NORTHLAND COMMUNITY & TECHNICAL COLLEGE - EAST GRAND FORKS	\$ 16,804.51
NORTHLAND COMMUNITY & TECHNICAL COLLEGE - THIEF RIVER FALLS	\$ 4,446.76
NORTHWEST TECHNICAL COLLEGE - BEMIDJI	\$ -
PINE TECHNICAL AND COMMUNITY COLLEGE	\$ 6,829.55
RIDGEWATER COLLEGE HUTCHINSON CAMPUS	\$ 27,834.74
RIDGEWATER COLLEGE WILLMAR CAMPUS	\$ -
RIVERLAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE	\$ -
ROCHESTER COMMUNITY & TECHNICAL COLLEGE	\$ -
SAINT PAUL COLLEGE	\$ 27,764.20
SOUTH CENTRAL COLLEGE - FARIBAULT	\$ 39,326.44
SOUTH CENTRAL COLLEGE - NORTH MANKATO	\$ 1,511.79
SOUTHWEST MINNESOTA STATE UNIVERSITY	\$ 2,337.10
SOUTHWEST MINNESOTA STATE UNIVERSITY GRANTS	\$ 16,329.22
ST CLOUD TECHNICAL COLLEGE	\$ 23,737.29
WINONA STATE UNIVERSITY	\$ 1,018.00
Total	\$ 463,447.58