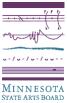


A 25-year legacy for the state of Minnesota







Phase 1: The legislature





Vision, commitment, strategy







Ten years later...

Minnesota Session Laws

Key: (1) language to be deleted (2) new language

2008, Regular Session

CHAPTER 151 -- H.F.No. 2285

An act

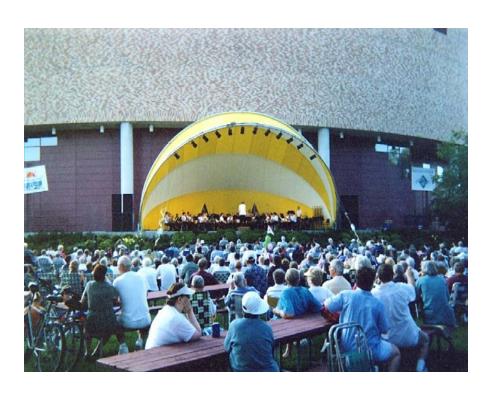
relating to constitutional amendments; proposing an amendment to the Minnesota Constitution, article XI; increasing the sales tax rate by three-eighths of one percent and dedicating the receipts for natural resource and cultural heritage purposes; creating an outdoor heritage fund; creating a parks and trails fund; creating a clean water fund; creating an arts and cultural heritage fund.

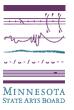
BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA





Phase 2: The public campaign







The coalition ...

- Conservation
- Hunting
- Environment
- Arts

350 organizations and groups





VOTE YES







PROTECT THE MINNESOTA YOU LOVE





The question ...

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

CLEAN WATER, WILDLIFE, CULTURAL HERITAGE, AND NATURAL AREAS

Shall the Minnesota Constitution be amended to dedicate funding to protect our drinking water sources; to protect, enhance, and restore our wetlands, prairies, forests, and fish, game, and wildlife habitat; to preserve our arts and cultural heritage; to support our parks and trails; and to protect, enhance, and restore our lakes, rivers, streams, and groundwater by increasing the sales and use tax rate beginning July 1, 2009, by three-eighths of one percent on taxable sales until the year 2034?





The answer ...

Statewide Results for Constitutional Amendment

Yes	1,635,046	56.0%
No	1,141,540	39.1%
Estimated blanks	143,628	4.9%
Estimated total voters	2,920,214	





Clean Water, Land and Legacy Amendment

In November 2008, Minnesotans passed the Clean Water, Land and Legacy Amendment.

As a result, over the next twenty-five years, 3/8 of one percent of the state's sales tax will be dedicated as follows:

33 % to a clean water fund,

33 % to an outdoor heritage fund,

14.25 % to a parks and trails fund, and

19.75 % to an arts and cultural heritage fund





Arts and cultural heritage fund



... may be spent only for arts, arts education, and arts access and to preserve Minnesota's history and cultural heritage."







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