

2.1 The appointing authorities must select members based on knowledge and experience in
2.2 aviation funding issues. All appointments required by this paragraph must be completed
2.3 by September 1, 2007.

2.4 (b) The chair of the task force may appoint additional nonvoting members to the task
2.5 force, including, but not limited to, representatives of the following organizations:

2.6 (1) a person appointed by the commissioner from the Department of Transportation
2.7 Office of Aeronautics;

2.8 (2) the Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association;

2.9 (3) the Experimental Aircraft Association/ACAA;

2.10 (4) the Metropolitan Airports Commission;

2.11 (5) the Minnesota Aviation Trades Association;

2.12 (6) the Minnesota Business Aviation Association;

2.13 (7) the Minnesota Council of Airports;

2.14 (8) the Minnesota Seaplane Pilots Association; and

2.15 (9) the National Business Aviation Association.

2.16 (c) The director of the Office of Aeronautics in the Department of Transportation
2.17 shall convene the first meeting of the task force. The members shall elect a chair from
2.18 their membership at the first meeting.

2.19 Subd. 3. **Report.** By February 15, 2008, the task force shall report its
2.20 recommendations to the chairs of the legislative committees with jurisdiction over airports
2.21 and aviation issues and to the legislature as required by Minnesota Statutes, section 3.195.

2.22 Subd. 4. **Expenses.** Per diem and expenses for legislative members of the task force
2.23 are as provided for under Minnesota Statutes, section 15.059. Other members of the task
2.24 force may not receive per diem or expenses.

2.25 Subd. 5. **Expiration.** This section expires after the submission of the report as
2.26 required under subdivision 3.

2.27 **Sec. 2. WILLMAR AIRPORT.**

2.28 (a) Notwithstanding any law, rule, or agreement to the contrary, the commissioner
2.29 of transportation may enter into an agreement with the city of Willmar to allow funds
2.30 granted by the state for land acquisition purposes at the city's former airport to instead
2.31 be used by June 30, 2012, as the state's share of funds for eligible aeronautical purposes
2.32 at the city's new airport.

2.33 (b) Funds not spent pursuant to paragraph (a) by June 30, 2012, must be paid to the
2.34 commissioner of transportation and deposited in the state airports fund.

3.1 Sec. 3. **APPROPRIATION.**

3.2 \$200,000 is appropriated from the state airports fund in fiscal year 2008 to the
3.3 Legislative Coordinating Commission for the administrative expenses of the task force
3.4 created in section 1 and for other costs relating to the preparation of the report required
3.5 under section 1, including the costs of hiring a consultant, if needed. Any remaining
3.6 amount of this appropriation shall revert to the state airports fund.

3.7 Sec. 4. **EFFECTIVE DATE.**

3.8 Sections 1 and 3 are effective the day following final enactment.