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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on State and Local Government Operations Reform, Technology and Elections

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Committee Recommendation and Adoption of Report:
To Pass and re-referred to the Committee on Civil Justice

April 14, 2009

Committee Recommendation and Adoption of Report:
To Pass
Read Second Time

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to state government; authorizing use of state space for employee fitness
1.3 and wellness activities; authorizing rulemaking; amending Minnesota Statutes
1.4 2008, section 16B.24, by adding a subdivision.

1.5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.6 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 16B.24, is amended by adding a
1.7 subdivision to read:

1.8 Subd. 5b. **Employee fitness and wellness facilities.** An entity in the executive,
1.9 legislative, or judicial branch may use space under its control to offer fitness, wellness,
1.10 or similar classes or activities to its employees, and may allow persons conducting these
1.11 classes or activities to charge employees a fee to participate. This authorization applies to
1.12 all state space, including property in the Capitol area, and other designated property as
1.13 defined in rules adopted by the commissioner of public safety. Persons conducting these
1.14 classes or activities, and participating employees, waive any and all claims of liability
1.15 against the state for any damage or injury arising from the use of state space for employee
1.16 fitness and wellness classes or similar classes or activities. Persons conducting these
1.17 classes or activities agree to indemnify, save, and hold the state, its agents, and employees
1.18 harmless from any claims or causes of action, including attorney fees incurred by the state
1.19 that arise from these classes or activities.

1.20 Sec. 2. **RULE AMENDMENT.**

1.21 The commissioner of public safety must amend Minnesota Rules, part 7525.0400,
1.22 and any other rules as necessary to conform to section 1. The commissioner may use the

2.1 good cause exemption, under authority of Minnesota Statutes, section 14.388, subdivision
2.2 1, clause (3), to amend rules to conform with section 1.

2.3 **Sec. 3. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

2.4 Sections 1 and 2 are effective the day following final enactment.