

SALES AND USE TAX R&D Campuses

April 16, 2025

	Yes	No
DOR Administrative		
Costs/Savings		X

Department of Revenue

Analysis of H.F. 2488 (Virnig) / S.F. 2854 (Carlson)

	Fund Impact			
	F.Y. 2026	F.Y. 2027	F.Y. 2028	F.Y. 2029
	(000's)			
General Fund	(\$5,640)	(\$2,930)	(\$2,930)	(\$2,930)
Natural Resources and Arts Funds	(\$330)	(\$170)	(\$170)	(\$170)
Housing Assistance Fund	(\$130)	(\$70)	(\$70)	(\$70)
Special Revenue Fund	(\$70)	(\$30)	(\$30)	(\$30)
Total – All Funds	(\$6,170)	(\$3,200)	(\$3,200)	(\$3,200)

Effective for sales and purchases made after June 30, 2025.

EXPLANATION OF THE BILL

The bill would provide a sales and use tax exemption for materials, supplies, and equipment used in the construction or improvement of a research and development campus, a customer experience center, and related facilities on site. 'Research and development campus' and 'customer experience center' are not defined. To qualify for the exemption the campus must have laboratory space of at least 250,000 square feet and the project must have a total construction cost of at least \$200 million within a 32-month period. The exemption would be administered as a refund. The exemption would expire March 1, 2028.

REVENUE ANALYSIS DETAIL

- Information for the estimates was provided by public reports and the Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development.
- It is assumed that several projects could meet the qualifications for the exemption in the forecast window.
- It is estimated that total taxable materials for qualifying projects will be approximately \$220 million.
- The timeline for refund claims is assumed based on available information.
- It is assumed that the three-and-a-half-year statute of limitations for filing refund claims would allow refunds to be paid in fiscal year 2029.

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