

STATE AIDS
One-time Emergency Rental Assistance Aid for Counties and Tribes

March 3, 2026

	Yes	No
DOR Administrative Costs/Savings		X

Department of Revenue
 Analysis of S.F. 3596 (Port) as proposed to be amended by SCS3596A11

	Fund Impact			
	F.Y. 2026	F.Y. 2027	F.Y. 2028	F.Y. 2029
	(000's)			
Emergency Rental Assistance Aid	(\$40,000)	\$0	\$0	\$0
Cancellation Tax-Forfeited Lands Settlement	\$40,000	\$0	\$0	\$0
General Fund Total	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

Effective beginning the day following final enactment.

EXPLANATION OF THE BILL

The proposal creates a one-time \$40 million rental assistance aid. Of this amount, \$35.2 million would be distributed to counties based on population and their three-year statewide share of students experiencing homelessness. The remaining \$4.8 million would be distributed to tribal governments, with each tribe receiving an equal share. Counties and tribes must spend the aid within four months of enactment.

Aid must be used to support households that meet the following criteria: have incomes at or below 200 percent of the federal poverty level, have a rental obligation for their primary residence in Minnesota, have experienced financial hardship, and are at risk of experiencing housing instability or homelessness. Counties and tribes would report data on the households receiving aid to the Department of Revenue, which would compile the information into a report.

The proposal also cancels \$40 million from the tax-forfeited lands settlement fund to the state general fund.

REVENUE ANALYSIS DETAIL

- The one-time aid program would increase state general fund expenditures by \$40 million in fiscal year 2026.
- The cancellation of \$40 million from the tax-forfeited lands settlement fund would result in a \$40 million increase to the state general fund in fiscal year 2026.

Source: Minnesota Department of Revenue
 Property Tax Division – Research Unit
<https://www.revenue.state.mn.us/revenue-analyses>

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