

426B.1 Appropriations property tax relief fund.

1. A property tax relief fund is created in the state treasury under the authority of the department of human services. The fund shall be separate from the general fund of the state and shall not be considered part of the general fund of the state except in determining the cash position of the state for payment of state obligations. The moneys in the fund are not subject to the provisions of section 8.33 and shall not be transferred, used, obligated, appropriated, or otherwise encumbered except as provided in this chapter. Moneys in the fund may be used for cash flow purposes, provided that any moneys so allocated are returned to the fund by the end of each fiscal year. However, the fund shall be considered a special account for the purposes of section 8.53, relating to elimination of any GAAP deficit. For the purposes of this chapter, unless the context otherwise requires, "*property tax relief fund*" means the property tax relief fund created in this section.

2. There is appropriated on July 1 of each fiscal year to the property tax relief fund from the general fund of the state, ninety-five million dollars.

3. There is annually appropriated from the property tax relief fund to the department of human services to supplement the medical assistance appropriation for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1997, and for succeeding fiscal years, six million six hundred thousand dollars to be used for the nonfederal share of the costs of services provided to minors with mental retardation under the medical assistance program to meet the requirements of section 249A.12, subsection 4. The appropriation in this subsection shall be charged to the property tax relief fund prior to the distribution of moneys from the fund under section 426B.2 and the amount of moneys available for distribution shall be reduced accordingly. However, the appropriation in this subsection shall be considered to be a property tax relief payment for purposes of the combined amount of payments required to achieve fifty percent of the counties' base year expenditures as provided in section 426B.2, subsection 2.

95 Acts, ch 206, §17; 96 Acts, ch 1034, § 38; 96 Acts, ch 1219, § 104; 97 Acts, ch 158, §28; 2002 Acts, ch 1119, §167; 2003 Acts, ch 108, §72