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Section

1 Appropriation. Appropriates \$150,000 in each year of the 2006-2007 biennium from the lottery prize fund for a grant to the Northstar Problem Gambling Alliance in Arlington, Minnesota. Requires the alliance to provide:

- services to increase public awareness of problem gambling;
- education and training for individuals and organizations that provide effective treatment services to problem gamblers and their families; and
- research related to problem gambling.

Makes \$75,000 of the appropriation in each year of the biennium contingent upon an equal amount of cash or in-kind nonstate matching funds. Allows the grant to be disbursed in increments of \$37,500 upon receipt of a commitment for equal amounts of nonstate matching funds.