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## Bill Summary

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### Overview

This bill appropriates TANF funds for supported work and auto repairs and purchases.

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#### **1 Appropriation from TANF.**

**Subd . 1. Supported work.** Specifies that of the TANF appropriation, \$7.291 million is appropriated in FY 2009 to the commissioner of human services for supported work for MFIP participants. Specifies that paid transitional work experience and other supported employment provides a continuum of employment assistance and specifies aspects of that assistance. Specifies the requirements counties and tribes must meet in order to receive an allocation under this rider.

Provides that a county or tribe may be eligible for funds in order to contract for supplemental hours of paid work at certain specified locations. Limits this grant to MFIP participants who need to work up to five hours more per week to meet the hourly work requirement, and the participant's employer cannot or will not offer more hours to the participant.

**Subd . 2. Auto repairs and purchases.** Appropriates \$1.5 million in FY 2009 to the commissioner of human services from the TANF fund to be allocated to community action agencies for auto repairs, auto loans, and auto purchase grants for

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MFIP-eligible individuals or for individuals who have lost MFIP eligibility due to earnings in the prior 12 months. Specifies base level funding for this activity shall be \$1.5 million in FY 2010 and \$1.181 million in FY 2011.