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Overview

This bill allows the commissioner of health to disburse grants under the eliminating health disparities grant program for projects to decrease racial and ethnic disparities in access to and utilization of high-quality prenatal care.

Section

- **1 Goal; establishment.** Amends § 145.928, subd. 1. Makes access to and utilization of highquality prenatal care a priority area in the eliminating health disparities program administered by the commissioner of health.
- 2 Community grant program; immunization rates, prenatal care access and utilization, and infant mortality rates. Amends § 145.928, subd. 7. Allows the commissioner of health to award grants through the eliminating health disparities grant program, for projects to decrease racial and ethnic disparities in access to and utilization of high-quality prenatal care.
- **3 Appropriation; addressing disparities in prenatal care access and utilization.** Makes a blank appropriation in fiscal year 2019 from the general fund to the commissioner of health to fund grants to decrease racial and ethnic disparities in access to and utilization of high-quality prenatal care.