Subject        State Aid for Math Corps Activities
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**Overview**

ServeMinnesota is the name of a state grant program designed to work in concert with federal youth service programs and is the statutorily designated recipient of federal AmeriCorps funds. Youth service programs are generally designed to provide the participant with skills and training while creating an opportunity for the participant to perform tasks that benefit the community. The ServeMinnesota program awards grants to program providers on a competitive-grant basis. The program provider combines the state grant money with federal money and provides the participants with living expenses or a stipend, health insurance, child care if needed, and a postservice educational award of $5,920 for the 2018-19 school year, which may be used for higher education costs or to repay student loans.

In the education area, ServeMinnesota programs are encouraged to provide children’s literacy efforts and reading tutoring through the Reading Corps. Minnesota Math Corps provides ServeMinnesota/AmeriCorps members with a model of mathematics instruction the members use to help elementary and middle school students meet state academic standards in mathematics.

The base budget for the Math Corps activities is $500,000 per year. H.F. 1177 proposes to raise this amount to $1,000,000 per year for fiscal years 2020 and 2021.

**Summary**

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          | Appropriates $1 million each year from the general fund to the commissioner of education for a grant to ServeMinnesota for Math Corps activities. |
H.F. 1177
As introduced