Page 1, delete section 1, and insert:

"Section 1. DISTANCE LEARNING BROADBAND ACCESS FUNDING.

Subdivision 1. Definitions. For the purposes of this section, "commissioner" means the commissioner of education, and "school" means a school district, charter school, or cooperative unit.

Subd. 2. Establishment; purpose. A distance learning broadband access funding program is established in the Department of Education to provide wireless or wire-line broadband access for a limited duration to students currently lacking Internet access so that the students may participate in distance learning offered by school districts and charter schools during the peacetime public health emergency period that relates to the infectious disease known as COVID-19.

Subd. 3. Aid amount. Each school is eligible for one-time distance learning aid equal to:

1. the lesser of its actual expenditures under subdivision 4; or
2. an allowance equal to the amount appropriated in section 3, paragraph (a), divided by the statewide enrollment for fiscal year 2019 times the students enrolled in each school during fiscal year 2019.

Subd. 4. Eligible expenditures. Aid received under this section must be used to:

1. provide a student with the equipment necessary for the student to use a broadband connection to access learning materials available on the Internet through a mobile wireless or wire-line broadband connection;
(2) pay for actual costs incurred to provide emergency distance learning wireless or wire-line broadband access during the 2019-2020 school year; and

(3) pay for the cost of wireless or wire-line broadband Internet access for households with students that did not otherwise have Internet access before March 13, 2020, for the 2019-2020 school year.

Subd. 5. Schools to report expenditures. Every school that receives aid under this section must submit a report to the commissioner of education by February 15, 2021, documenting its expenditures and describing the onetime and permanent improvements made to its distance learning access delivery system.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

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