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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Public Safety Finance and Policy

1.1 A bill for an act

relating to public safety; establishing a statewide public safety radio communication system equipment grant program; appropriating money.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

Section 1. <u>APPROPRIATION</u>; <u>STATEWIDE PUBLIC SAFETY RADIO</u> COMMUNICATION SYSTEM EQUIPMENT GRANTS.

\$250,000,000 in fiscal year 2024 is appropriated from the state fiscal recovery federal fund to the commissioner of public safety for grants to local government units, federally recognized Tribal entities, and state agencies participating in the statewide Allied Radio Matrix for Emergency Response (ARMER) public safety radio communication system established under Minnesota Statutes, section 403.36, subdivision 1e. The grants must be used to purchase or upgrade portable radios, mobile radios, and related equipment that is interoperable with the ARMER system. Each local government unit may receive only one grant. The grant is contingent upon a match of at least five percent from nonstate funds. The director of the Department of Public Safety Emergency Communication Networks division, in consultation with the Statewide Emergency Communications Board, must administer the grant program. This appropriation is available until June 30, 2026.

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

Section 1.