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State of Minnesota

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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H. F. No. 3661

02/21/2022 Authored by Keeler, Miller, Gomez, Stephenson, Howard and others
The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Human Services Finance and Policy

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to human services; adding authorized use for grant funds; creating a study
1.3 on pregnant and parenting homeless youth; appropriating money for study on
1.4 pregnant and parenting homeless youth; appropriating money for homeless youth
1.5 act grants; amending Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 256K.45, by adding a
1.6 subdivision.

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

1.8 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 256K.45, is amended by adding a subdivision
1.9 to read:

1.10 Subd. 7. Awarding of grants. (a) Grants awarded under this section shall not be used
1.11 for any activity other than the authorized activities under this section, and the commissioner
1.12 shall not create additional eligibility criteria or restrictions on the grant money.

1.13 (b) Grants shall be awarded under this section only after a review of the grant recipient's
1.14 application materials, including past performance and utilization of grant money. The
1.15 commissioner shall not reduce an existing grant award amount unless the commissioner
1.16 first determines that the grant recipient has failed to meet performance measures or has used
1.17 grant money improperly.

1.18 (c) For grants awarded pursuant to a two-year grant contract, the commissioner shall
1.19 permit grant recipients to carry over any unexpended amount from the first contract year
1.20 to the second contract year.

1.21 Sec. 2. PREGNANT AND PARENTING HOMELESS YOUTH STUDY.

1.22 (a) The commissioner of human services must conduct a study of the prevalence of
1.23 pregnancy and parenting among homeless youths and youths who are at risk of homelessness.

2.1 (b) The commissioner shall submit a final report by December 31, 2023, to the chairs
2.2 and ranking minority members of the legislative committees with jurisdiction over human
2.3 services finance and policy.

2.4 **Sec. 3. APPROPRIATION; PREGNANT AND PARENTING HOMELESS YOUTH**
2.5 **STUDY.**

2.6 \$300,000 in fiscal year 2023 is appropriated from the general fund to the commissioner
2.7 of human services to fund a study of the prevalence of pregnancy and parenting among
2.8 homeless youths and youths who are at risk of homelessness. This is a onetime appropriation
2.9 and is available until June 30, 2024.

2.10 **Sec. 4. APPROPRIATION; HOMELESS YOUTH ACT GRANTS.**

2.11 \$50,000,000 in fiscal year 2023 is appropriated from the general fund to the commissioner
2.12 of human services for the grants under Minnesota Statutes, section 256K.45, subdivision
2.13 1.