Overview

This bill appropriates funds to the commissioner of children, families and learning to award a grant to establish a residential program to assist women leaving prostitution.

1 Residential program for women leaving prostitution; grant.

Subd. 1. Grant authorized. Requires the commissioner of children, families and learning to award a grant to a nonprofit corporation to develop and administer a residential program for women leaving prostitution. The corporation must demonstrate a 25% funding match. Program services must include:

- chemical dependency services;
- sexual trauma mental health services;
- services to develop independent living skills; and
- coordination of community resources.

Subd. 2. Grant administration. Requires the commissioner of children, families and learning to develop a process for administering the grant, including establishing criteria and developing forms. Requires the commissioner to issue requests for proposals that will obtain information the commissioner considers necessary to evaluate and select a grant recipient.

2 Appropriations. Appropriates to the commissioner of children, families and learning an undesignated sum from the general fund for each year of the biennium to be used for the grant.