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State of Minnesota
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NINETY-THIRD SESSION

H. F. No. 2772

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Human Services Finance

- 1.1 A bill for an act
- 1.2 relating to health; establishing an addiction and recovery office in the Department
- 1.3 of Health; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 144.
- 1.4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:
- 1.5 Section 1. **[144.063] YOUTH SUBSTANCE USE AND ADDICTION RECOVERY**
- 1.6 **OFFICE.**
- 1.7 (a) The commissioner of health shall establish a Youth Substance Use and Addiction
- 1.8 Recovery Office to focus on preventing adolescent substance use and addiction. The
- 1.9 commissioner shall employ a director to lead the Youth Substance Use and Addiction
- 1.10 Recovery Office and staff necessary to fulfill its purpose.
- 1.11 (b) The director shall:
- 1.12 (1) make efforts to bridge mental health and substance abuse treatment silos and work
- 1.13 across agencies to focus the state's role and resources in preventing youth substance use
- 1.14 and addiction;
- 1.15 (2) develop and share resources on evidence-based strategies and programs for addressing
- 1.16 youth substance use and prevention;
- 1.17 (3) establish and manage external partnerships and build relationships with communities,
- 1.18 community leaders, and persons and organizations with direct experience with youth
- 1.19 substance use and addiction; and
- 1.20 (4) work to achieve progress on established measurable goals that track the state's efforts
- 1.21 in preventing substance use and addiction among the state's youth population.

2.1 Sec. 2. **APPROPRIATION; YOUTH SUBSTANCE USE AND ADDICTION**
2.2 **RECOVERY OFFICE.**

2.3 \$..... in fiscal year 2024 and \$..... in fiscal year 2025 are appropriated from the general
2.4 fund to the commissioner of health to establish the Youth Substance Use and Addiction
2.5 Recovery Office in section 1.