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State of Minnesota

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NINETY-FIRST SESSION

H. F. No. 4142

03/04/2020 Authored by Persell, Kiel and Marquart The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Education Finance Division

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to education finance; creating a regional Grow Your Own teachers grant
1.3 program; appropriating money.

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

1.5 Section 1. APPROPRIATION; REGIONAL GROW YOUR OWN TEACHERS
1.6 GRANT.

1.7 Subdivision 1. Department of Education. The sum indicated in this section is
1.8 appropriated from the general fund to the Department of Education in the fiscal year
1.9 designated.

1.10 Subd. 2. Regional Grow Your Own teachers grant. (a) For a grant to the Northwest
1.11 Service Cooperative in Thief River Falls for the purposes described in this subdivision:

1.12 \$ 500,000 2021

1.13 (b) The grant under this section may be used for the following purposes:

1.14 (1) increasing the capacity of local colleges and universities to develop and sustain
1.15 programs that prepare future public educators;

1.16 (2) removing barriers that impede the development, recruitment, hiring, and retention
1.17 of highly qualified teachers, including teachers of color and American Indian teachers, in
1.18 Northwestern Minnesota;

1.19 (3) providing opportunities for high school students to explore careers in education while
1.20 also gaining transferable college credits; and

2.1 (4) elevating the teaching profession and recruiting potential candidates to high-need
2.2 areas within the region.

2.3 (c) The appropriation under this section does not cancel and is available until June 30,
2.4 2023.