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State of Minnesota  
**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**

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**H. F. No. 689**

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

1.1 A bill for an act  
1.2 relating to human services; appropriating money for programs related to reducing  
1.3 fetal alcohol syndrome.

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

1.5 Section 1. **APPROPRIATION.**

1.6 (a) \$1,600,000 is appropriated for the biennium beginning July 1, 2014, from  
1.7 the general fund to the commissioner of human services for a grant to the Minnesota  
1.8 Organization on Fetal Alcohol Syndrome (MOFAS). Of the grant money dispersed by  
1.9 MOFAS, at least \$360,000 must be used to support nonprofit Fetal Alcohol Spectrum  
1.10 Disorders (FASD) outreach prevention programs in Olmsted County. Other grant  
1.11 recipients must be selected from communities which are not currently served by federal  
1.12 substance abuse prevention and treatment block grant funds.

1.13 (b) Grant money must be used to reduce the incidence of FASD and other prenatal  
1.14 drug related effects in children in Minnesota by identifying and serving pregnant women  
1.15 suspected of or known to use or abuse alcohol or other drugs. Grant recipients must  
1.16 provide intensive services to chemically dependent women in order to increase positive  
1.17 birth outcomes. The organization may retain eight percent of the grant money for  
1.18 administrative costs.

1.19 (c) A grant recipient must report to the commissioner of human services annually  
1.20 by January 15 on the services and programs funded by the appropriation. The report  
1.21 must include measurable outcomes, including the number of pregnant women served and  
1.22 toxic-free babies born in the previous year.